

WEIGHT LOSS HISTORY

(Incomplete information may delay or cause denial of insurance coverage)

How long have you been at your current weight? _____

At what age did you become obese? _____ What is your goal weight? _____

What is your lowest adult weight? _____ What year? _____

What is your highest adult weight? _____ What year? _____

What type of eating style do you have:
 big eater _____ sweets _____ snacker _____
 grazer _____ combination of all _____

How many times do you eat out per week? _____

Do you exercise? _____ How often? _____

Type of *previous* weight loss surgery
 Vertical banding Gastric Band Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass Stapling Other

Present complications due to previous weight loss surgery: _____

Weight prior to *previous* weight loss surgery: _____

Reason you are in need of a revision weight loss surgery: _____

If you have prior weight loss surgery you must obtain your operative records from the surgeon or the hospital where the procedure was performed and submit them with your screening paperwork.

MEDICALLY SUPERVISED TREATMENT REGIMENTS:

Please list all diets and medications for weight loss you have used and the treating physician(s):

Did you take Fen-Phen? Yes No Year: _____ Physician: _____

Type/Name: _____ Year: _____ Physician: _____

Type/Name: _____ Year: _____ Physician: _____

OTHER WEIGHT LOSS ATTEMPTS:

Program:	Month(s) / Year(s):	Length of participation:	Amount of weight loss:
<input type="checkbox"/> Weight Watcher			
<input type="checkbox"/> Exercise			
<input type="checkbox"/> Calorie Control/Counting Calories			
<input type="checkbox"/> Slim Fast			
<input type="checkbox"/> Medifast			
<input type="checkbox"/> Nutrisystems			
<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar Busters			
<input type="checkbox"/> Jenny Craig			
<input type="checkbox"/> Metabolife			
<input type="checkbox"/> Optifast			
<input type="checkbox"/> Xenical			
<input type="checkbox"/> Adkins/South Beach			
<input type="checkbox"/> Dexatrim			
<input type="checkbox"/> Meridia			
<input type="checkbox"/> Overeaters Anonymous			
<input type="checkbox"/> LA Weight Loss			
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydroxycut			
<input type="checkbox"/> Alli			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other			

Have you ever been treated for an eating disorder? Yes No

Physicians and Specialists

Please list your physicians and specialists below:

If you have no physicians or specialists, please check this box:

*****Please complete an Authorization For Release Of Information (Non-Baylor) form for EVERY physician/specialist listed below.**

Specialty	Name	Phone	Fax	Address
Primary Care Provider				
Psychologist				
Psychiatrist				
Weight Loss Physicians/Programs				
Cardiologist				
Endocrinologist				
Gastroenterologist				
Oncologist/Hematologist				
Nephrologist				
Obstetrics/Gynecology				
Dietitian				
If you have completed any labs (blood work) recently, who was the provider? PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING COPIES OF YOUR RECORDS.				
Labs				
Please list all other specialists or physicians below.				
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

Patient History

Name: _____ Birth date: _____ Sex: _____ Date: _____

Medical Problems:

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes type I ___ type II ___ | <input type="checkbox"/> Asthma | <input type="checkbox"/> History of Cancer, Type: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Blood Pressure | <input type="checkbox"/> Emphysema | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke/TIA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Cholesterol/Triglycerides | <input type="checkbox"/> Renal Failure | <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn/GERD/Ulcers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Liver problems/Fatty liver | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid problems |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DVT/history blood clots | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleep Apnea | <input type="checkbox"/> CPAP/BIPAP |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression | <input type="checkbox"/> Bipolar |

Other: _____

Prior Surgical History:

- | | | | |
|--|-------------|--|------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appendectomy | Year: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Gallbladder (Open/Closed) | Year _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breast Biopsy/Mastectomy | Year _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Hernia: Type: _____ | Year _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Heart Surgery | Year _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Hysterectomy (Vaginal/Stomach) | Year _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> C-section: How many? _____ | | <input type="checkbox"/> Knee/Hip replacement (circle which one) | Year _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Previous Bariatric surgery type _____ | | | Year _____ |

Other: _____

Food or Medication Allergies: please list and type of reaction

Social History (mark if answer is yes):

- Have you ever smoked? Age started: _____ Age quit: _____ Packs/day: _____
- Alcohol Use: Drinks per week: _____
- Other drug use: Type: _____ Last used: _____
- Caffeine: Type: _____ How much per day: _____
- Married Single Widowed Divorced
- Exercise: How many times a week _____ Use a walker/wheel chair

Family History:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes: Who _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Heart disease: Who _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High blood pressure: Who _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Stroke: Who _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Cholesterol/triglycerides: Who _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer: Type _____ | Who _____ |

- I am ready to pursue surgery as an option for treatment for my obesity.
- I agree to follow the program as prescribed and actively participate in my follow up care.
- I understand that I am primarily responsible for obtaining insurance approval for this procedure. I will furnish all records requested by the program in a timely manner. I will make and complete all necessary appointments to fulfill necessary requirements.
- I understand I am responsible for any charges not covered by my insurance.

Patient Signature

Date

Patient Review of Symptoms (Current)

Name: _____ Birth date: _____ Sex: _____ Date: _____

Constitutional:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fatigue | <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness | <input type="checkbox"/> Night sweats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent Fevers | <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitive to heat/cold | <input type="checkbox"/> Marked weight loss/gain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thyroid problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Received blood transfusion | <input type="checkbox"/> Daytime sleepiness |

Eyes:

- | | | |
|--|------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary vision loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Cataracts | <input type="checkbox"/> Glasses/Contacts |
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Ears/Nose/Mouth/Throat:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of hearing/wear hearing aides | <input type="checkbox"/> Hoarseness/sore throat | <input type="checkbox"/> Ringing in ears |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding gums | <input type="checkbox"/> Dentures | <input type="checkbox"/> Snoring |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sinus/Allergy problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent ear infections | <input type="checkbox"/> Loss of smell |

Breasts:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breast lumps/fibrocystic disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Breast tenderness | <input type="checkbox"/> Nipple discharge |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mammogram: Year: _____ | | |

Heart:

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Palpitations/rapid heartbeat | <input type="checkbox"/> Rheumatic fever |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stress test/echo Year: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Leg swelling | <input type="checkbox"/> Leg pain with walking |

Lungs:

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Persistent cough/productive cough | <input type="checkbox"/> Shortness of breath | <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in sputum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pneumonia: Year: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuberculosis | <input type="checkbox"/> Wheezing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chest X-ray: Year: _____ | | |

Musculoskeletal:

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Back/neck pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Knee pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Shoulder |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Muscle cramps | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint swelling | <input type="checkbox"/> Disc/Joint Disease |

Gastrointestinal:

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea/vomiting | <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn | <input type="checkbox"/> GERD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Constipation | <input type="checkbox"/> Diarrhea | <input type="checkbox"/> IBS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in stools | <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting blood/ulcers | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty swallowing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> UGI/Barium Swallow: Year: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Endoscopy: Year: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Colonoscopy: Year: _____ |

Genitourinary:

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leakage of urine | <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent urination | <input type="checkbox"/> Kidney failure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frequent urination at night | <input type="checkbox"/> Erectile dysfunction | <input type="checkbox"/> Blood in urine |

Gynecologic:

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Irregular periods | <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy periods | <input type="checkbox"/> Fibroids |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PCOS | <input type="checkbox"/> Post menopausal/no periods | <input type="checkbox"/> Infertility |

Dermatology:

- | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chronic skin condition: Type _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Hair loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Cancer: Type: _____ |
|---|------------------------------------|--|

Neurologic:

- | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headaches/Migraines | <input type="checkbox"/> Seizures | <input type="checkbox"/> Memory loss |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness: Where _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Balance issues/Falls | |

Mental Health:

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression | <input type="checkbox"/> Bipolar |
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GERD-Health Related Quality of Life Questionnaire (GERD-HRQL)

Patient Name: _____ Date _____

On PPIs Off PPIs If off, for how long? _____ days / months

Scale:

0 = No symptom

1 = Symptoms noticeable but not bothersome

2 = Symptoms noticeable and bothersome but not every day

3 = Symptoms bothersome every day

4 = Symptoms affect daily activity

5 = Symptoms are incapacitating to do daily activities

Please check the box to the right of each question which best describes your experience over the past 2 weeks

- | | | |
|-----|---|---|
| 1. | How bad is the heartburn? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 2. | Heartburn when lying down? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 3. | Heartburn when standing up? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 4. | Heartburn after meals? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 5. | Does heartburn change your diet? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 6. | Does heartburn wake you from sleep? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 7. | Do you have difficulty swallowing? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 8. | Do you have pain with swallowing? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 9. | If you take medication, does this affect your daily life? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 10. | How bad is the regurgitation? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 11. | Regurgitation when lying down? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 12. | Regurgitation when standing up? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 13. | Regurgitation after meals? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 14. | Does regurgitation change your diet? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 15. | Does regurgitation wake you from sleep? | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 |
| 16. | How satisfied are you with your present condition? | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Satisfied <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral <input type="checkbox"/> Dissatisfied | |

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Monitored by

Date (mm/dd/yy)

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The Reflux Symptom Index

Reflux Symptom Index Scale Test: Rate the following items on a scale of 1-5. The composite of these scores should be 10 or below. If it is more than 10, you should consider an evaluation to check for "Silent Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease," or GERD.

The Reflux Symptom Index

Within the past month, how did the following affect you?

0 = No problem

5= Severe problem

	0	1	2	3	4	5
Hoarseness or a problem with your voice?						
Clearing your throat?						
Excess throat mucus or postnasal drip?						
Difficulty swallowing food, liquids or pills?						
Coughing after you ate or lie down?						
Breathing difficulties or choking episodes?						
Troublesome or annoying cough?						
Sensations of something sticking in your throat or a lump in your throat?						
Heartburn, chest pain, indigestion, or stomach acid coming up?						



EPWORTH SLEEPINESS SCALE

Name: _____ DOB: _____ Date: _____

This questionnaire was developed to determine the level of daytime sleepiness in individuals. It has become one of the most frequently used methods for determining a person's average level of daytime sleepiness.

Please rate how likely you are to doze or fall asleep in the following situations by selecting the response that best applies. If you have not done some of these activities recently, select what would most likely happen if you were in that situation.

0 Would *never* doze

1 *Slight* chance of dozing

2 *Moderate* chance of dozing

3 *High* chance of dozing

	Chance of Dozing			
Sitting and reading	0	1	2	3
Watching television	0	1	2	3
Sitting inactive in a public place (eg, a theater or a meeting)	0	1	2	3
As a passenger in a car for an hour without a break	0	1	2	3
Lying down to rest in the afternoon when circumstances permit	0	1	2	3
Sitting and talking to someone	0	1	2	3
Sitting quietly after a lunch without alcohol	0	1	2	3
In a car, while stopped for a few minutes in traffic	0	1	2	3
Total Score:				<input type="text"/>

Interpreting Epworth Sleepiness Scale Scores^{1,2}

Normal	EDS*	High Levels of EDS*
0-10	>10	>16

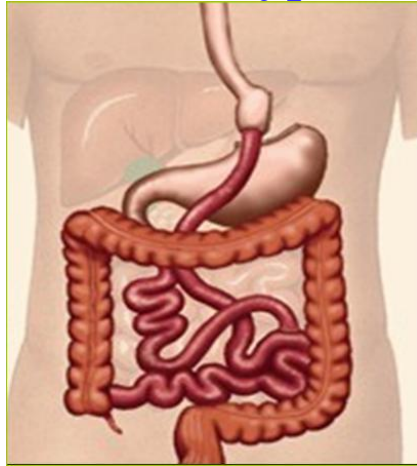
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*Excessive daytime sleepiness.

CHOICES

Which weight loss surgery procedure do I choose? This is the second most important decision that you have to make. The first decision was to have surgery at Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas. Our surgeons are available to assist you in this process.

Gastric Bypass



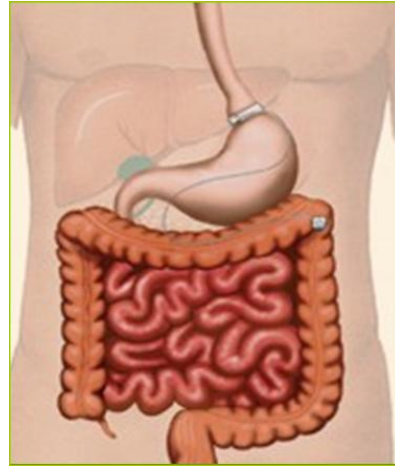
Advantages

- Rapid weight loss
- No need for adjustment
- Restrictive and malabsorptive

Disadvantages

- Higher risk
- Non-adjustable
- Lifetime need for supplements

Adjustable Gastric Band



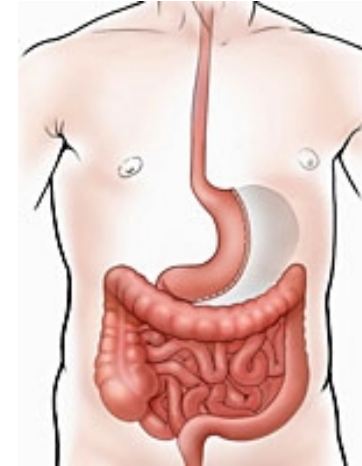
Advantages

- Gradual weight loss
- Adjustable
- No malabsorption
- Lower risk

Disadvantages

- Slow weight loss
- Frequent clinic visits for fills
- Foreign body

Gastric Sleeve



Advantages

- Moderate weight loss
- No malabsorption
- Moderate risk
- No foreign body

Disadvantages

- Slower weight loss than the Gastric Bypass
- Non-adjustable
- No long term results available

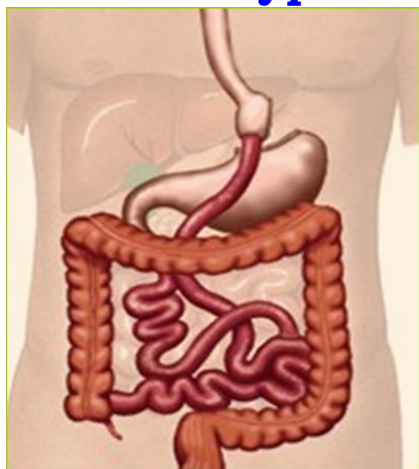
What are the risks for weight loss surgery? All surgeries, especially in the obese, carry risks.

Common to all types of surgery are:

- Pulmonary complications such as blood clots, pneumonia, and shortness of breath
- Infections such as wound breakdown or abscess
- Heart, kidney, spleen, or other organ injury

WE TAKE PRECAUTIONS AGAINST ALL OF THESE AND MONITOR PATIENTS CLOSELY.

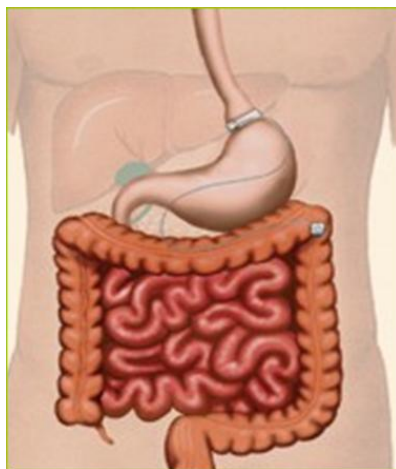
Gastric Bypass



Risks

Leakage from staple lines
Bleeding
Strictures
Too much weight loss
Too much malabsorption
Longer surgery

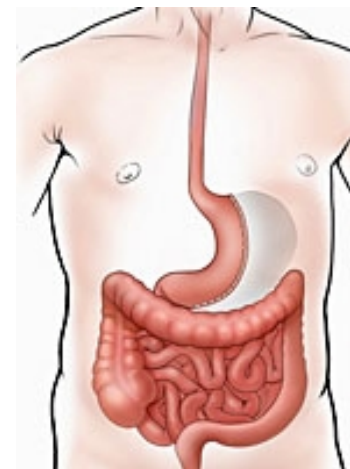
Adjustable Gastric Band



Risks

Band slippage
Band erosion
Inadequate weight loss

Gastric Sleeve

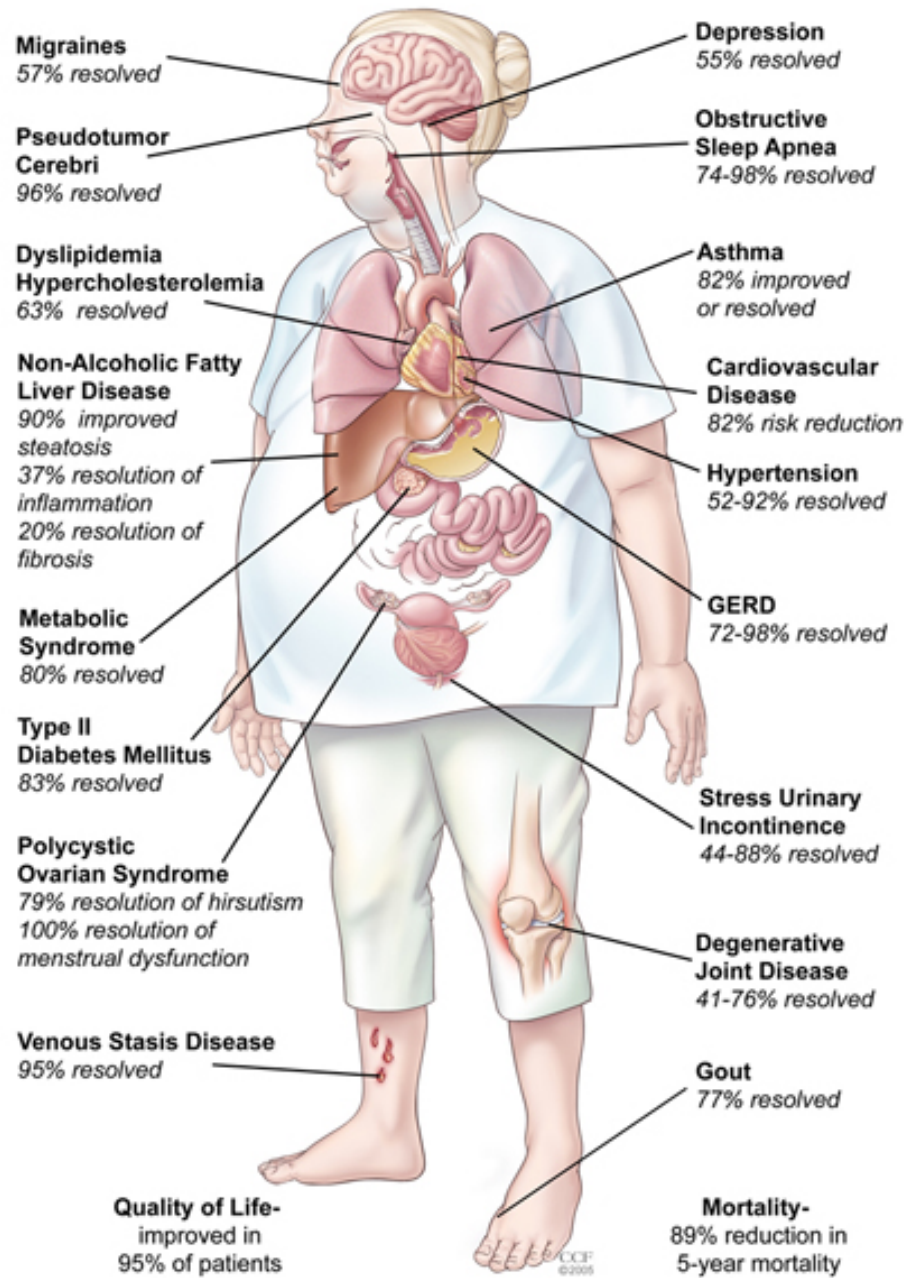


Risks

Leakage from staple lines
Inadequate weight loss

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Bariatric Surgery is known to be the most effective and long lasting treatment for morbid obesity



Mounting evidence suggests it is among the most effective treatments for metabolic diseases and conditions including:

- Type 2 Diabetes,**
- High blood pressure,**
- High cholesterol,**
- Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease and**
- Obstructive sleep apnea.**



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CENTER FOR MEDICAL & SURGICAL WEIGHT LOSS MANAGEMENT

Bariatric Care Financial Acknowledgement & Agreement

As your prospective bariatric care provider, we want to ensure that you are aware and understand your bariatric benefits with your insurance company. Our office strives to assist in this process as much as possible, but we strongly encourage that you become familiar with the bariatric portion of your insurance policy by contacting your insurance company.

General Knowledge

If your insurance policy includes bariatric benefits, most will first require that you have a certain body mass index (BMI) in addition to having another qualifying comorbidity to be eligible for bariatric surgery. Additionally, if you do meet the minimum requirements, most insurance policies will also require a minimum of certain types of visits and testing prior to any surgical procedure. Lastly, even if you were referred from another physician due to medical necessity, that does not qualify you for bariatric benefits.

Lifetime Maximum

Most insurance companies have a lifetime maximum policy in place for bariatric benefits. What does that mean? If you have had a previous gastric procedure that is considered as a weight loss procedure, this will not be covered even if you have bariatric benefits as you have previously had this type of procedure.

What does that mean for the patient?

Our office strongly encourages that you become familiar with your specific policy while our office also coordinates with your insurance company to determine what type of bariatric benefits you may have.

Although you may have and qualify for bariatric benefits, you may be responsible for a portion of your care out of pocket until your policy comes into effect. Our office will notify you of any out of pocket expenses you may have, but we strongly encourage that you do the same to plan for payments that may be due at the time of service.



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What if I do not have or qualify for bariatric benefits?

If your insurance policy does not include bariatric benefits or if you have used your lifetime maximum, our office offers a cash pay option that may be an option for you. If you do not qualify for bariatric benefits per your insurance policy, we will not submit to your insurance company.

We understand that insurance policies and coverage can be confusing and burdensome. As your prospective provider, we want to encourage you to understand the specifics of your plan and be aware of potential charges that may take place at the time of your visits. With this in mind, we strongly encourage you to contact your insurance company for any questions that you may have in regards to your bariatric benefits and your financial responsibility.

Sincerely,

Baylor Scott & White Center for Metabolic and Weight Loss Surgery

By signing below, I understand and acknowledge the above notice.

Name (Print)

Date of Birth

Signature

Date



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CENTER FOR MEDICAL & SURGICAL
WEIGHT LOSS MANAGEMENT

24-Hour Cancellation and No Show Acknowledgement

Each time a patient misses an appointment without providing proper notice, another patient is prevented from receiving care. Therefore, BSW Center for Metabolic and Weight Loss Surgery reserves the right to consider patients a No Show that have not given proper 24-hour notice of cancelling or rescheduling their appointment.

Additionally, patients that do not show or are tardy 15 or more minutes for their scheduled appointment time will also be considered a No Show. Due to our high clinic volume, we allow (3) reschedules and/or (2) No Shows per patients. In the event you exceed our specified guidelines, it will result in a dismissal from our practice.

We do understand that circumstances may arise where this cannot be avoided. These circumstances will be addressed by the provider as they arise.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we strive to best serve the needs of all of our patients.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have received this notice and understand the above policy.

Name (Print)

Date of Birth

Signature

Date

Patient Name:

Identification Number:

Advance Beneficiary Notice of Non-coverage (ABN)

NOTE: If Medicare doesn't pay for **procedure** below, you may have to pay. Medicare does not pay for everything, even some care that you or your health care provider have good reason to think you need. We expect Medicare may not pay for the **procedure** below.

D.	E. Reason Medicare May Not Pay:	F. Estimated Cost
Initial Consult 99203	May not be deemed medically necessary May deny for medical frequency May be deemed experimental	Up to \$196.00

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NOW:

- Read this notice, so you can make an informed decision about your care.
- Ask us any questions that you may have after you finish reading.
- Choose an option below about whether to receive the **D. procedure** listed above.

Note: If you choose Option 1 or 2, we may help you to use any other insurance that you might have, but Medicare cannot require us to do this.

G. OPTIONS: Check only one box. We cannot choose a box for you.

- OPTION 1.** I want the **procedure** listed above. You may ask to be paid now, but I also want Medicare billed for an official decision on payment, which is sent to me on a Medicare Summary Notice (MSN). I understand that if Medicare doesn't pay, I am responsible for payment, but I can appeal to Medicare by following the directions on the MSN. If Medicare does pay, you will refund any payments I made to you, less co-pays or deductibles.
- OPTION 2.** I want the **procedure** listed above, but do not bill Medicare. You may ask to be paid now as I am responsible for payment. I cannot appeal if Medicare is not billed.
- OPTION 3.** I don't want the **procedure** listed above. I understand with this choice I am not responsible for payment, and I cannot appeal to see if Medicare would pay.

H. Additional Information:

This notice gives our opinion, not an official Medicare decision. If you have other questions on this notice or Medicare billing, call **1-800-MEDICARE** (1-800-633-4227/TTY: 1-877-486-2048).

Signing below means that you have received and understand this notice. You also receive a copy.

I. Signature:	J. Date:
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• Patient Name:

Identification Number:

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<u>D.</u>	<u>E. Reason Medicare May Not Pay:</u>	<u>F. Estimated Cost</u>
Initial Nutrition Consult 97802	May not be deemed medically necessary May deny for medical frequency May be deemed experimental	Up to * \$89 each 15 minutes * Possible total of \$356

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