



Bariatric Surgery and Devices and Post-operative Care for Primary Care

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- B. Southeast
- C. Midwest
- D. Southwest
- E. West
- F. Noncontiguous US
- G. Outside of the US

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- Disclosures: none

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• None

Objectives

Identify	Identify patients who might be appropriate candidates for referral for surgery or devices.
Describe	Describe current FDA- and ASMBS-approved metabolic and bariatric surgeries and devices.
Summarize	Summarize the effects of bariatric surgery on weight reduction and comorbidities.
Develop	Develop a long-term management plan for patients who have had a bariatric surgical procedure.

Topics

Criteria for referral and metabolic/ bariatric surgery

01

Current metabolic/ bariatric surgical procedures

02

Devices

03

Post-operative care

04

Appropriate Referrals for Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery

- BMI ≥40 kg/m²
- BMI \geq 35 kg/m² + 1 obesity-related complication
 - Eg, high risk for T2DM (insulin resistance, metabolic syndrome, prediabetes), poorly controlled hypertension, NAFLD/NASH, OSA, OA of the knee or hip, SUI
- BMI 30-34.9 kg/m² + T2DM with inadequate glycemic control despite optimal lifestyle and medical therapy
- Inability to achieve healthy weight loss sustained for a period of time, with prior weight loss efforts

Clinical Note: BMI criteria for bariatric procedures should be adjusted for ethnicity (≥25 kg/m² classified as obesity in Asians)

BMI, body mass index; NAFLD, non-alcoholic fatty liver disease; NASH, non-alcoholic steatohepatitis; OA, osteoarthritis; OSA, obstructive sleep apnea; SUI, stress urinary incontinence; T2DM, type 2 diabetes mellitus.

American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. 2016. https://asmbs.org/patients/who-is-a-candidate-for-bariatric-surgery. Accessed April 7, 2021. Johnson RJ, et al. *Am Surg*. 2012 Jun;78(6):685-692. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Polling Question



Which of the following is a contraindication for bariatric surgery?

- 1. Active binging/bulimia
- 2. Advanced age
- 3. HbA1c >8%
- 4. New diagnosis of cancer
- 5. BMI

Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery

Contraindications:

- Active substance abuse
- Active psychiatric disease
- Active binging/bulimia
- Noncompliance
- Poor competence

Not a Contraindication:

- HbA1c >8%
- Advanced age (data do not support age cutoff)
- New diagnosis of cancer
- BMI

Metabolic/Bariatric Surgical Procedures



How Does Metabolic/Bariatric Surgery Work?

Change in microbiomes

NOT restriction

Change in hunger hormones

NOT only malabsorption

Change in satiety hormones

Pucci A, et al. J Endocrinol Invest. 2019;42(2):117-128.

Polling Question



Which bariatric surgery is most performed currently?

- 1. Gastric Bypass Roux-en-Y
- 2. Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy
- 3. Duodenal Switch
- 4. Single Anastomosis Duodenal Ileostomy
- 5. Adjustable Gastric Band

Gastric Bypass Roux-en-Y (RYGB)

Accounts for 17% of all bariatric surgeries performed¹

Procedure:²

- Stomach stapled to create ~15-30 mL proximal pouch
- Small bowel divided at jejunum
- Distal jejunum anastomosed to proximal stomach pouch (ante or retro-colic*)
- Distal stomach remains in place; proximal small bowel is anastomosed to jejunum



- 1. American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. 2021. https://asmbs.org/resources/estimate-of-bariatric-surgery-numbers. Accessed April 12, 2021.
- 2. Pucci A, et al. J Endocrinol Invest. 2019;42(2):117-128.

^{*}Two different techniques with different adverse events.

RYGB Mechanism of Action

- Decrease in ghrelin¹
- Increase in satiety hormones (GLP-1, PYY, etc.)¹
- 30%-35% TBWL²
- GERD/obesity advantage²
- Reversible²



GERD, gastroesophageal reflux disease; GLP-1, glucagon-like peptide; LRYGB, laparoscopic RYGB; PYY, peptide YY; TBWL, total body weight loss. 1. Pucci A, et al. *J Endocrinol Invest*. 2019;42(2):117-128. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy (VSG)

Accounts for 60% of all bariatric surgeries performed¹

Procedure:²

- 75%-85% of stomach removed (fundus/greater curvature)
- Pylorus preserved
- No intestinal disruption



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VSG Mechanism of Action

- Decrease in ghrelin¹
- Increase in satiety hormones (GLP-1, PYY, etc.)¹
- 25%-30% TBWL²
- Potential to increase GERD²
- Irreversible³



1. Pucci A, et al. *J Endocrinol Invest*. 2019;42(2):117-128. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359. 3. American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. 2021. https://asmbs.org/patients/bariatric-surgery-procedures. Accessed April 8, 2021.

Duodenal Switch (DS)

Accounts for 0.9% of all bariatric surgeries performed¹

Procedure:²

- Sleeve gastrectomy (1st stage)
- Bypass:
 - Alimentary limb (100 cm)
 - Common channel (150 cm)
- Requires proficient intracorporeal suturing



1. American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. 2021. https://asmbs.org/resources/estimate-of-bariatric-surgery-numbers. Accessed April 12, 2021. 2. Conner J, et al. In: StatPearls [Internet]. Treasure Island (FL): StatPearls Publishing; 2021. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563193/.

DS Mechanism of Action

- Decrease in ghrelin¹
- Increase in satiety hormones (GLP-1, PYY, etc.)¹
- 2-stage^{2,3}
- 35-45% TBWL²
- Strongest potential for remission of T2DM^{2,3}
- Vitamin deficiency potential^{2,3}



^{1.} Pedersen SD. *Gastroenterol Res Pract*. 2013;2013:528450. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359. 3. Conner J, et al. In: StatPearls [Internet]. Treasure Island (FL): StatPearls Publishing; 2021. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563193/.

Single Anastomosis Duodenal Ileostomy (SADI)

Procedure:

- Modification of DS
- Sleeve gastrectomy
- 1 anastomosis (duodenum-ileum)



SADI Mechanism of Action

- Decrease in ghrelin*
- Increase in satiety hormones* (GLP-1, PYY, etc.)
- Decreased risk obstruction?*
- Decreased OR time?*
- 35-45% TBWL¹



OR, operating room. *Limited evidence at this time. 1. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Adjustable Gastric Band (AGB)

Accounts for 0.9% of all bariatric surgeries performed¹

Procedure:²

- Pars Flacida approach
- Around vagus
- Restriction?



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AGB Mechanism of Action

- Increased ghrelin (60%)
- Reversible¹
- Potential tissue and vagus damage
- Multiple complications/little long-term weight loss
- 20-25% TBWL¹



1. Mechanick JI, et al. Endocr Pract. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Revisional Bariatric Surgery

Approximately 15% of bariatric procedures performed per year are revisions



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Complications of Metabolic/Bariatric Surgeries

Early (<30 days)

- Bleeding
- Leak
- Pneumonia
- Bowel obstruction
- VTE (PE/DVT)
- Dehydration
- N/V

Late (>30 days)

- Stricture
- Hernia (incisional and internal)
- Marginal ulcer
- Vitamin deficiencies
- Osteoporosis
- Dumping

Weight-loss Devices





Weight-loss Devices

FDA Approved

- Adjustable gastric band (Lap-Band[®])
- Intragastric balloons (Orbera[®], Reshape[®], Obalon[®])
- Transpyloric bulb (TransPyloric Shuttle[®])
- Aspiration therapy (AspireAssist[®])
- Vagal Nerve Blocking Therapy (Vbloc[®])

ASMBS Approved

- Adjustable gastric band (Lap-Band[®])
- Intragastric balloons (Orbera[®], Reshape[®], Obalon[®])

ASMBS, American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery; FDA, Food and Drug Administration. American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery. 2019. https://asmbs.org/resources/endorsed-procedures-and-devices Accessed April 12, 2021.

Intragastric Balloons

Accounts for 1.8% of all bariatric surgeries performed¹

- Procedure²
 - "Space occupying"
 - Series of balloons (1, 2, or 3)
 - Removed after 6 months
 - Outpatient placement (radiology or endoscopy)
 - Outpatient removal (endoscopy)
- 10-12% TBWL²
- Insurance exclusion
- Best studied device
- Minimal long-term follow up



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Transpyloric Bulb

- Procedure:¹
 - Introduced and removed endoscopically
 - Large bulb pylorus
 - Small bulb duodenum
- "Faster filling time and delayed gastric emptying"
- Remains intact up to 12 months
- 14% TBWL²
- Insurance exclusion



1. Szoka NL, et al. 2019. https://www.sages.org/publications/tavac/transpyloric-shuttle/. Accessed April 12, 2021. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Aspiration Therapy

- Procedure:¹
 - Endoscopically placed G-tube (connected to a skin port valve)
 - Connector locks after 115 cycles (5-6 weeks) so patient must return to the clinic
- Patient aspirates stomach contents after each meal¹
- Can remain intact indefinitely
- 12-14% TBWL²
- Insurance exclusion

Device Components³



1. Sullivan S, et al. *Gastroenterology*. 2013;145(6):1245-1252.e525. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. *Endocr Pract*. 2019;25(12):1346-1359. 3. Badurdeen D, et al. *Bariatric Times*. 2019;16(2):8-10.

Vagal Nerve Blocking Therapy

- Procedure:¹
 - Laparoscopically placed
 - Requires meticulous dissection of anterior and posterior vagus
- Large neuroregulator¹
- Requires 12-hour use/day¹
- 24-month follow up
- 8-9% TBWL²
- Insurance exclusion



1. Ikramuddin S, et al. JAMA. 2014;312(9):915-922. Erratum in: JAMA. 2015;313(1):95. 2. Mechanick JI, et al. Endocr Pract. 2019;25(12):1346-1359.

Weight-management Devices

Oral removable palatal space occupying device – SMART^{®1}

- Worn when eating
- Temperature recording sensor
- Limits bite size
- Slows down the intake of food



Ingested, transient, space-occupying device – Plenity^{®2}

- Swallowed
- Transiently occupies space in the stomach
- Passes via the GI tract



1. Food and Drug Administration, HHS. Fed Regist. 2017;82(144):35067-35069. 2. Greenway FL, et al. Obesity (Silver Spring). 2019;27(2):205-216. Erratum in: Obesity (Silver Spring). 2019;27(4):679. Erratum in: Obesity (Silver Spring). 2019;27(7):1210.



Initial Assessment



Metabolic/Bariatric Procedure (GBP, VSG, DS, SADI) Follow-up

Annual:

- CBC
- CMP
- Lipid panel
- HgbA1c
- TSH
- PTH
- Iron panel
- Vitamins A, B1, B6, B12, D, folate
- Zinc
- Copper (DS)



• DEXA (every other yr if normal)

Vitamins/supplements (bariatric preferred):

- 2 MVI (20 minerals), including 18 mg iron
- Calcium citrate, 1200-1500 mg/day in 3 divided doses of 500-600 mg

Miscellaneous

- No NSAIDs or ASA >81 mg
- No alcohol
- Caution with anticoagulation other than warfarin

ASA, aspirin; CBC, complete blood count; CMP, comprehensive metabolic panel; DEXA, dual energy X-ray absorptiometry; DS, duodenal switch; MVI, multivitamin injection; NSAID, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug; PTH, parathyroid hormone; TSH, thyroid-stimulating hormone.

Adjustable Gastric Band and Devices Follow Up

Adjustable Gastric Band

- Annual UGI fluoroscopy
- Refer to bariatric provider

Devices

• Refer to bariatric provider



UGI, upper gastrointestinal.

Hospital or Surgical Facility

- High-volume accredited center
- Emergency department and intensive care unit
- Dedicated bariatric unit
- Bariatric certified nurses (CBN)
- CT scanner (600+ pounds)
- MRI (500+ pounds)
- Specialized surgical team

CT, computed tomography; MRI, magnetic resonance imaging.

Metabolic/Bariatric Obesity Program

Lifetime follow up

Support groups

Coordination of care with primary care provider

Newsletter and web chat support

Mobile phone app

Medical and surgical care

Pre- and post-operative classes

24/7 call coverage

1-800 number

National accreditation

Metabolic/Bariatric Surgical Programs and Facility



American College of Surgeons Bariatric Surgery Center Network Accreditation Program.

Additional Resources

- American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery: <u>www.asmbs.org</u>
- Obesity Action Coalition: <u>https://www.obesityaction.org/</u>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <u>http://www.cdc.gov/obesity/resources/</u>
- The Obesity Society (NHLBI): <u>http://www.obesity.org/</u>
- Obesity Medicine Association: <u>https://obesitymedicine.org/</u>



Any Questions?





