

Highland Hospital's Bariatric Surgery Center is the regional leader in bariatric surgery. We are recognized for providing high-quality, comprehensive bariatric surgical care even with the most challenging and complex patients. We take a multidisciplinary approach and partner with patients for the best long-term outcomes.

Our bariatric surgical team specializes in minimally-invasive surgery that results in decreased scarring, reduced pain, fewer complications and faster recovery. Surgical procedures include:

- Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass
- Duodenal Switch Procedure
- Gastric Sleeve Surgery

Our surgeons work closely with our patients to select the best option

• Type 2 diabetes

• Urinary stress incontinence

## Health Benefits of Bariatric Surgery

Bariatric surgery is known to improve, and many times may resolve, these obesity-related conditions:

- Asthma
- Cardiovascular disease
- Depression
- GERD (gastrointestinal reflux)
- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol

- Joint pain
- Metabolic syndrome
- Migraines
- Osteoarthritis
- Polycystic ovarian disease
- Sleep apnea



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# Program Includes:

- Pre-surgical education
- Step-by-step nutrition and lifestyle counseling
- Surgical and post-surgical support
- Partners to help with psychological and physical fitness
- Specially-equipped facilities for patient comfort



# Am I a Candidate for Surgery? You may qualify if:

- You have a BMI of 40+
- You have a BMI of 35+ with comorbidities, such as
  - Degenerative joint disease
  - Diabetes
  - Heart disease
  - High blood pressure
  - Sleep apnea

#### Additional criteria:

- Documented prior attempts at weight loss
- No uncontrolled disorder or disease that may cause weight gain
- No medical conditions that make the risk of surgery greater than the health benefits
- No untreated psychiatric or eating disorders
- No substance abuse within 1 year of starting the program
- No smoking must quit prior to surgery
- Between the ages of 18 and 65; 65+ considered on an individual basis

### Next Steps...

- ☐ Calculate your BMI (online tool)
- ☐ Attend a free informational seminar; online or in-person
- ☐ Determine if surgery is covered by your insurance
- ☐ Complete the bariatric surgery questionnaire (online)
- Request your primary care physician (PCP) to complete referral form and submit to the Bariatric Surgery Center
- ☐ Schedule your first medical and nutrition appointments (585) 341-0366
- Let your journey begin



66 This changed my life!

I feel fantastic and would do

it all again,

never had second thoughts.

Best decision I ever made!

-Lori

Get Started Today. (585) 341-0366 MyWeightLossJourney.urmc.edu



