

# Obesity & Metabolic Surgery: Benefits and Risks for the Treatment of Type 2 Diabetes

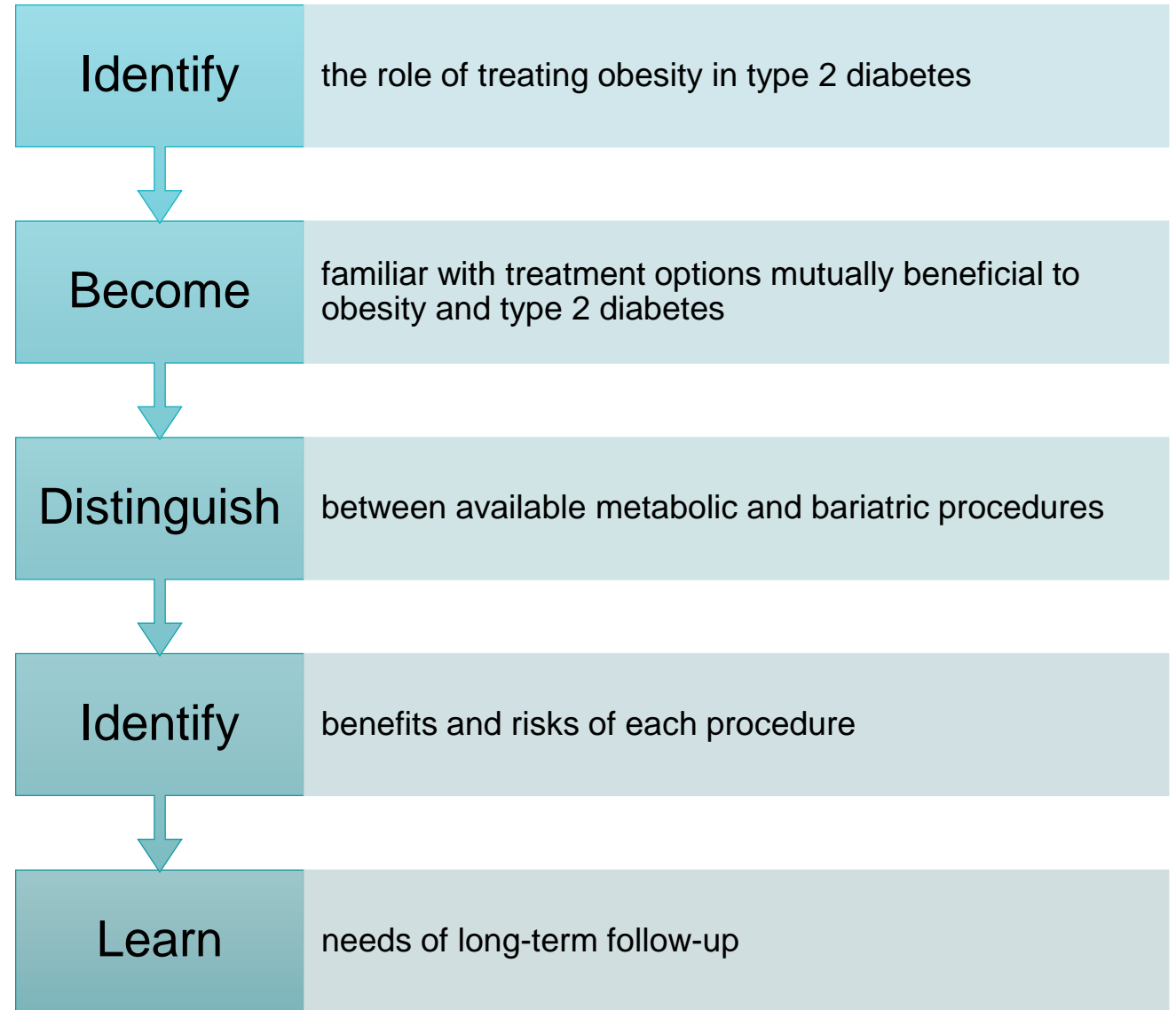
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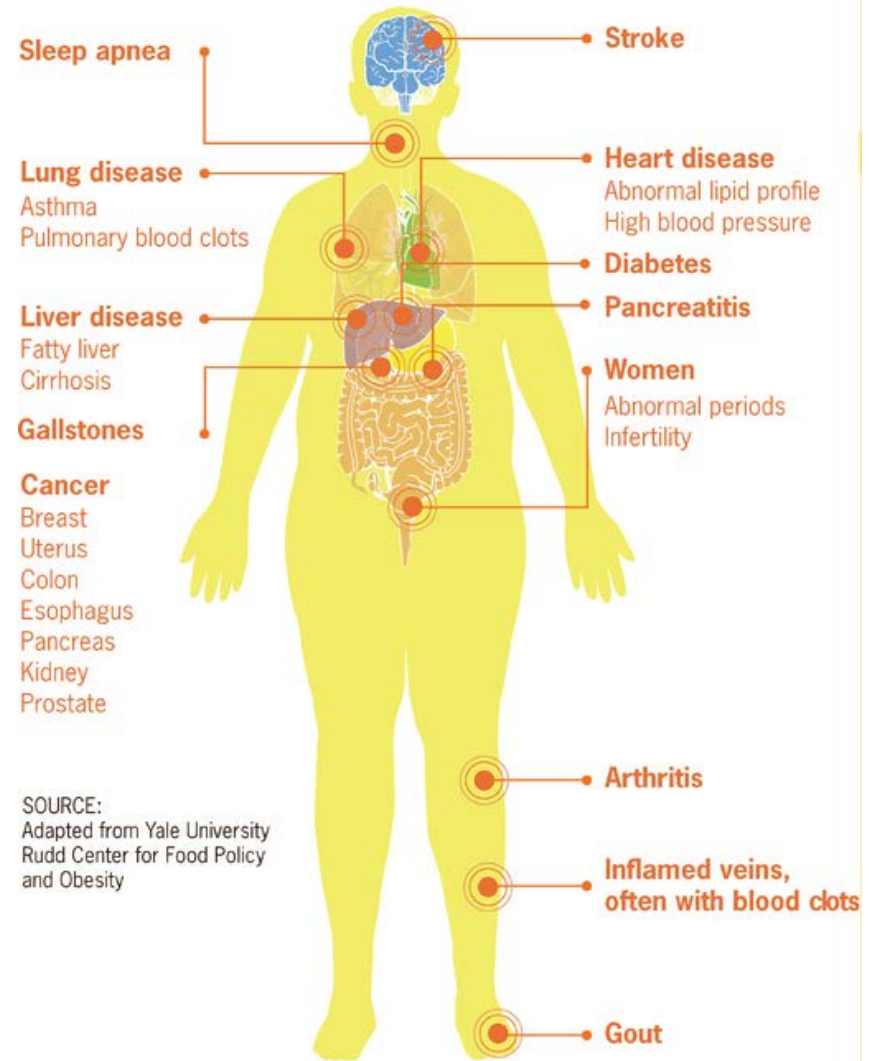
# OBJECTIVES



# Diabetes Quick Facts

- Obesity was declared a chronic disease in 2013 by the American Medical Association
- 41.9% of American adults fall into the obese category
- 10% have diabetes
- Small to moderate amounts of weight loss improve glycemic control
- \$173 Billion=Annual Medical Costs Associated with Obesity in US

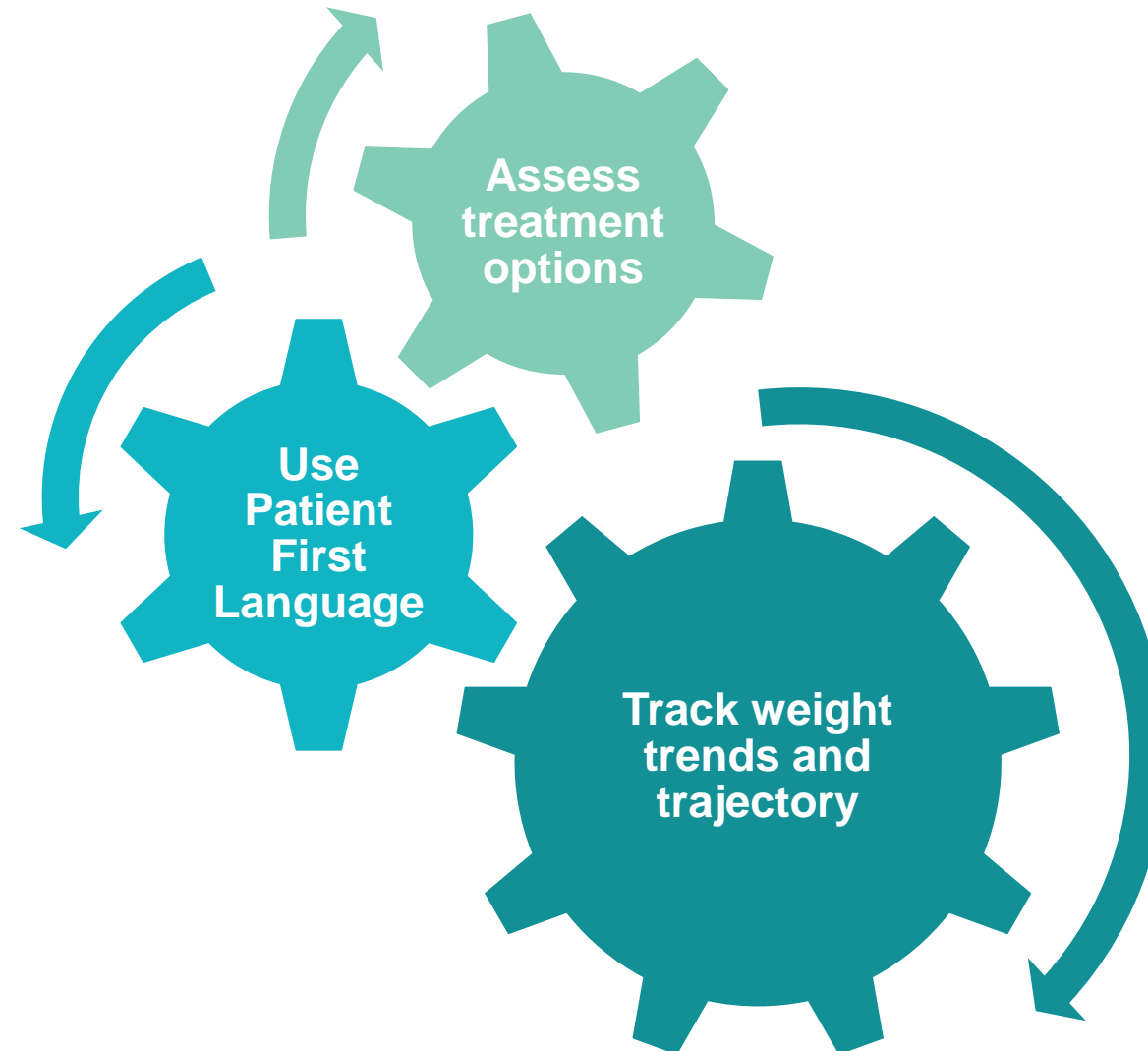
## Medical Complications of Obesity



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# HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR PATIENTS



# ASSESS FOR OBESOGENIC MEDICATIONS

- Antidepressants
  - Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors (SSRIs)
  - Tricyclic antidepressants
- Beta-blockers
- Hormones

## Antihyperglycemics:

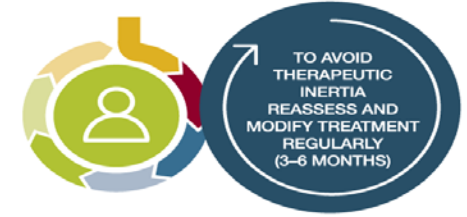
- Long-acting insulin
- Sulfonylureas
- Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)



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# PHARMACOLOGIC TREATMENT OF HYPERGLYCEMIA IN ADULTS WITH TYPE 2 DIABETES

**FIRST-LINE THERAPY** depends on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, including cost and access considerations, and management needs and generally includes metformin and comprehensive lifestyle modification<sup>^</sup>

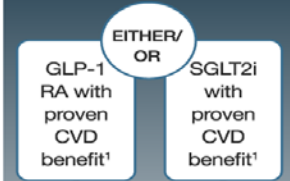


**ASCVD/INDICATORS OF HIGH RISK, HF, CKD†**

**NONE**

**RECOMMEND INDEPENDENTLY OF BASELINE A1C, INDIVIDUALIZED A1C TARGET, OR METFORMIN USE‡**

**+ASCVD/INDICATORS OF HIGH RISK\***



**IF A1C ABOVE TARGET**

- For patients on a GLP-1 RA, consider incorporating SGLT2i with proven CVD benefit and vice versa<sup>1</sup>
- TZD<sup>2</sup>

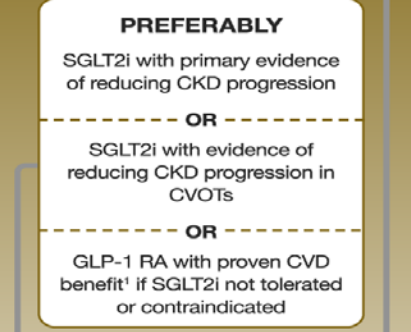
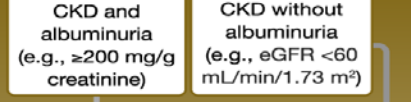
If A1C remains above target, consider treatment intensification based on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs

**+HF\***

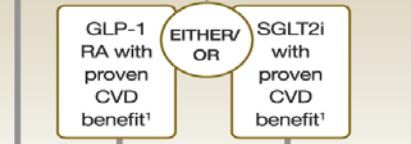
SGLT2i with proven benefit in this population<sup>1</sup>

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**+CKD\*\***



For patients with CKD (e.g., eGFR <60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>) without albuminuria, recommend the following to decrease cardiovascular risk



If A1C above target, for patients on SGLT2i, consider incorporating a GLP-1 RA and vice versa

If A1C remains above target, consider treatment intensification based on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs

**Incorporate agents that provide adequate EFFICACY to achieve and maintain glycemic goals**

**Higher glycemic efficacy therapy: GLP-1 RA; insulin; combination approaches (Table 9.2)**

- Consider additional comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs in choice of therapy, as below:

**MINIMIZE HYPOGLYCEMIA**

No/low inherent risk of hypoglycemia: DPP-4i, GLP-1 RA, SGLT2i, TZD

For SU or basal insulin, consider agents with lower risk of hypoglycemia<sup>3,4</sup>

**IF A1C ABOVE TARGET**

Incorporate additional agents based on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs

- Proven benefit refers to label indication (see Table 9.2)
- Low dose may be better tolerated though less well studied for CVD effects
- Choose later generation SU to lower risk of hypoglycemia
- Risk of hypoglycemia: degludec / glargine U-300 < glargine U-100 / detemir < NPH insulin
- Consider country- and region-specific cost of drugs

**MINIMIZE WEIGHT GAIN/PROMOTE WEIGHT LOSS**

**PREFERABLY**

GLP-1 RA with good efficacy for weight loss

OR

SGLT2i

**IF A1C ABOVE TARGET**

For patients on a GLP-1 RA, consider incorporating SGLT2i and vice versa

- If GLP-1 RA not tolerated or indicated, consider DPP-4i (weight neutral)

Incorporate additional agents based on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs

**CONSIDER COST AND ACCESS**

Available in generic form at lower cost:

- Certain insulins: consider insulin available at the lowest acquisition cost
- SU
- TZD

**IF A1C ABOVE TARGET**

Incorporate additional agents based on comorbidities, patient-centered treatment factors, and management needs

<sup>^</sup>For adults with overweight or obesity, lifestyle modification to achieve and maintain ≥5% weight loss and ≥150 min/week of moderate- to vigorous-intensity physical activity is recommended (See Section 5: Facilitating Behavior Change and Well-being to Improve Health Outcomes).

<sup>†</sup>Actioned whenever these become new clinical considerations regardless of background glucose-lowering medications.

<sup>‡</sup>Most patients enrolled in the relevant trials were on metformin at baseline as glucose-lowering therapy.

<sup>\*</sup>Refer to Section 10: Cardiovascular Disease and Risk Management.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Refer to Section 11: Chronic Kidney Disease and Risk Management and specific medication label for eGFR criteria.



WEIGHT  
FRIENDLY  
DIABETES  
MEDICATIONS

Metformin

Liraglutide

GLP-1 agonists

SGLT-2 inhibitors

Pramlintide



# ADDITIONAL ANTI-OBESITY MEDICATIONS

- FDA approved:

- Liraglutide
- Lisdexamfetamine\*
- Lorcaserin
- Naltrexone/bupropion
- Orlistat
- Phentermine (short-term)
- Phentermine/topiramate
- Semaglutide
- Setmelanotide

\*approved for Binge-Eating Disorder

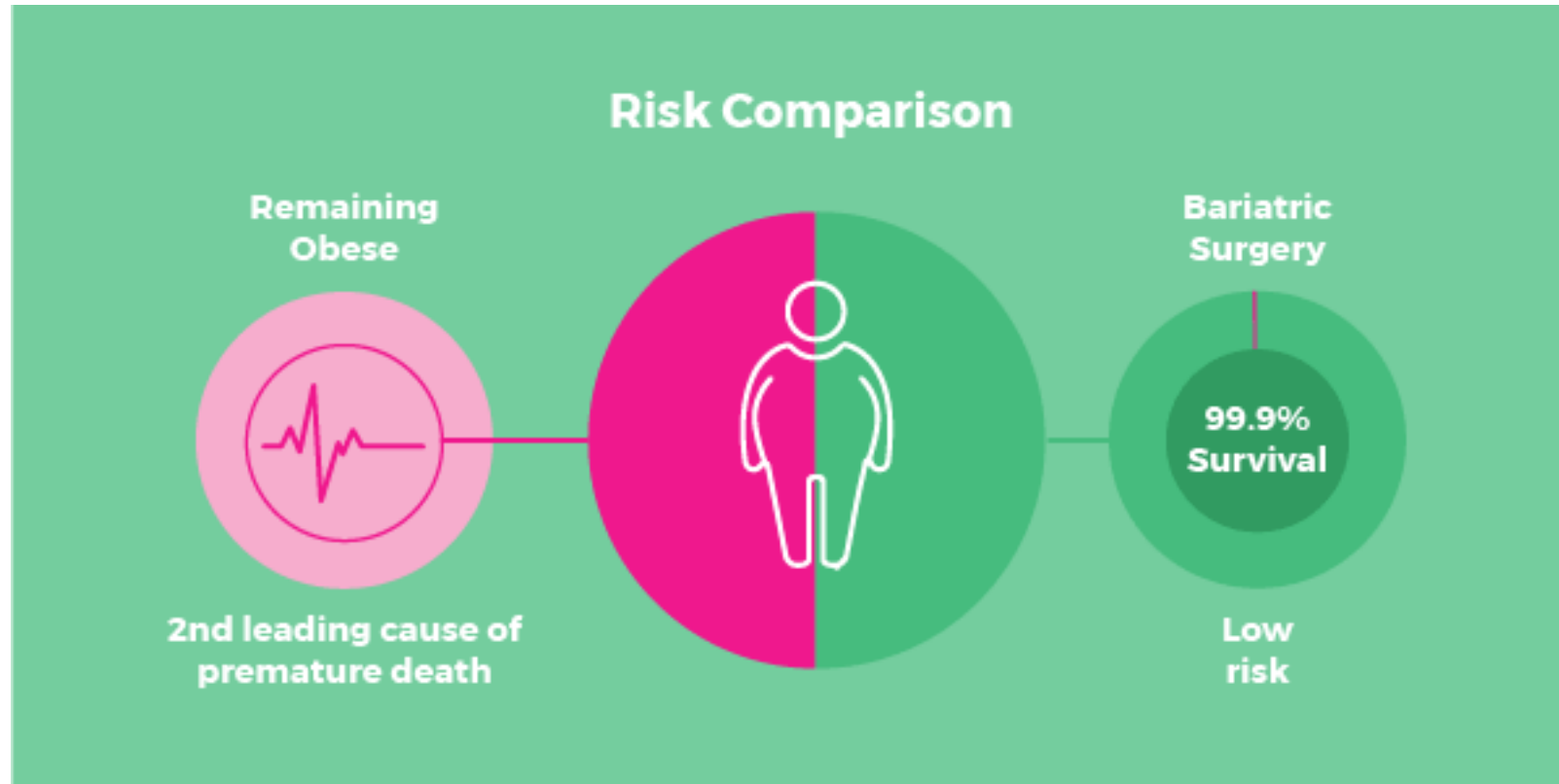
- Off Label:

- Bupropion
- Metformin
- Phentermine beyond 12 weeks
- Naltrexone & bupropion separately
- Phentermine & topiramate separately



BUT WHAT IS THE  
MOST EFFECTIVE  
TREATMENT FOR  
OBESITY & TYPE 2  
DIABETES?

# METABOLIC & BARIATRIC SURGERY



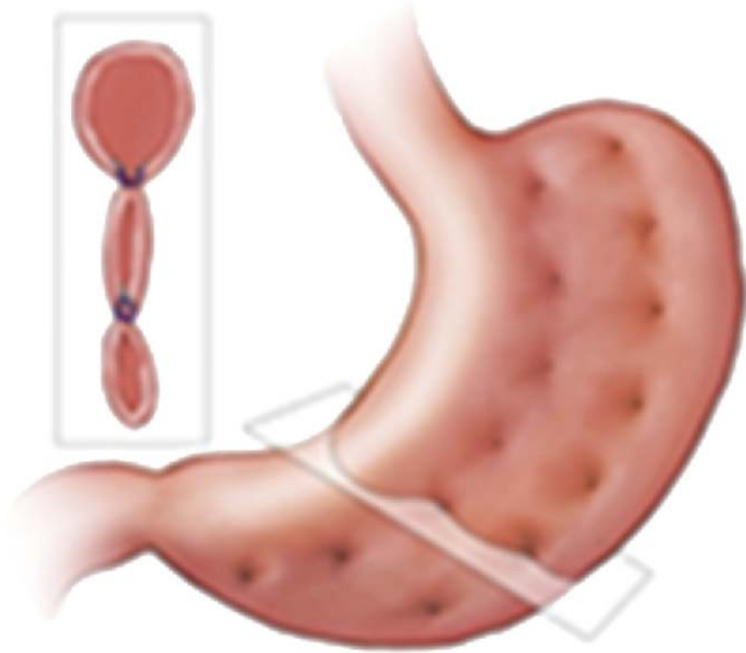
# COMMON PROCEDURES

- Endoscopic
  - Gastric Balloon
  - Gastroplasty
- Laparoscopic
  - Adjustable Gastric Band
  - Vertical Sleeve Gastrectomy
  - Roux-en-Y Gastric Bypass
  - Duodenal Switch

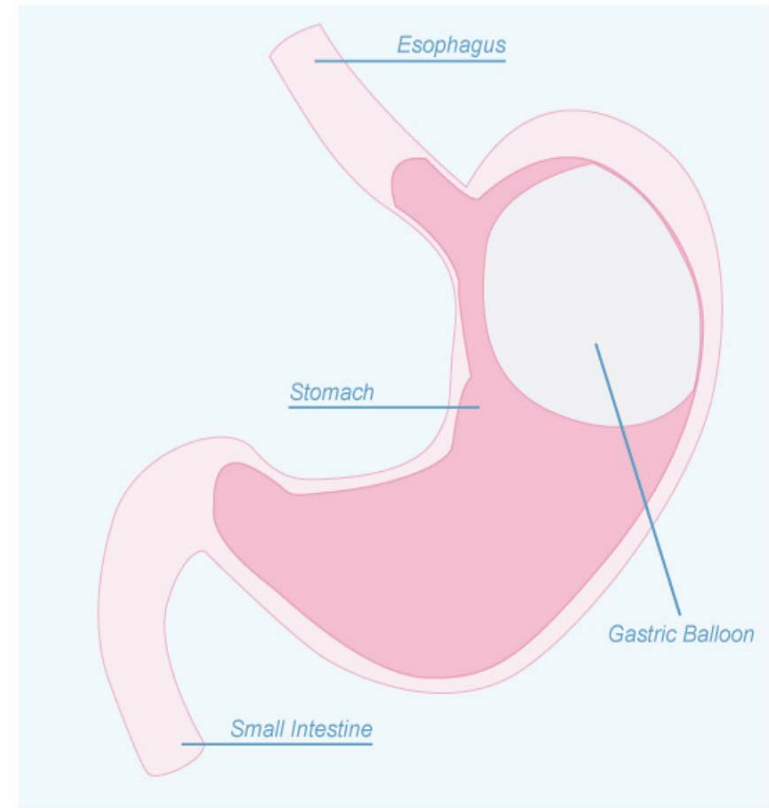


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# ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURES



Endoscopic Sleeve Gastroplasty



# ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURES

## BENEFITS

- Restricts intake
- Less invasive
- Shorter hospital stay
- Available for lower BMIs

## RISKS

- Costly
- Less weight loss
- Perforation
- Obstruction



# GASTRIC BAND



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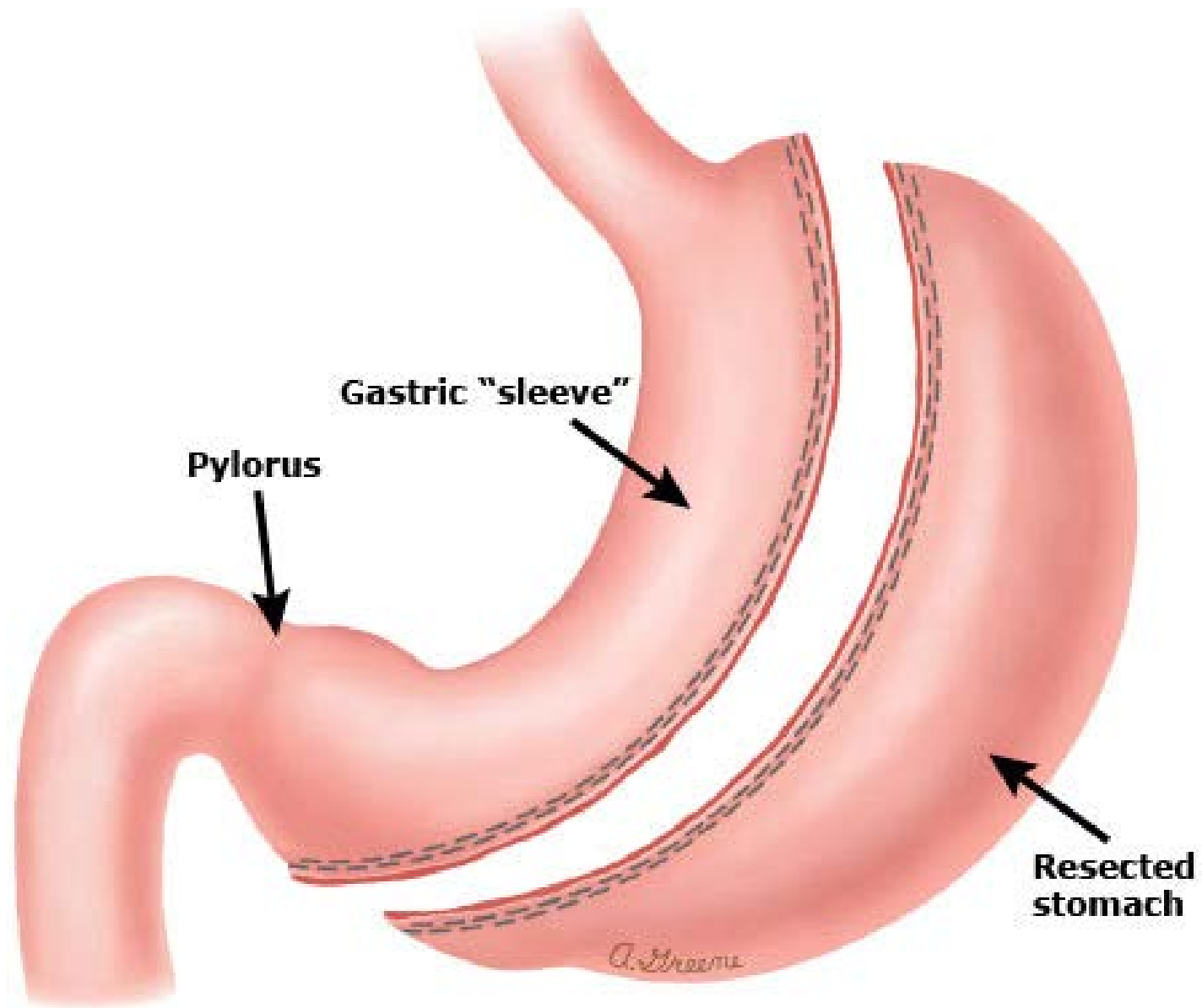
## BENEFITS

- Restricts intake
- Modest weight loss
- Reversible
- Adjustable
- Less malnutrition risk

## RISKS

- Reflux
- Slippage
- Obstruction
- Erosion
- Esophageal dilation
- Port dislodgement
- Highest reoperation rate





# VERTICAL SLEEVE GASTRECTOMY

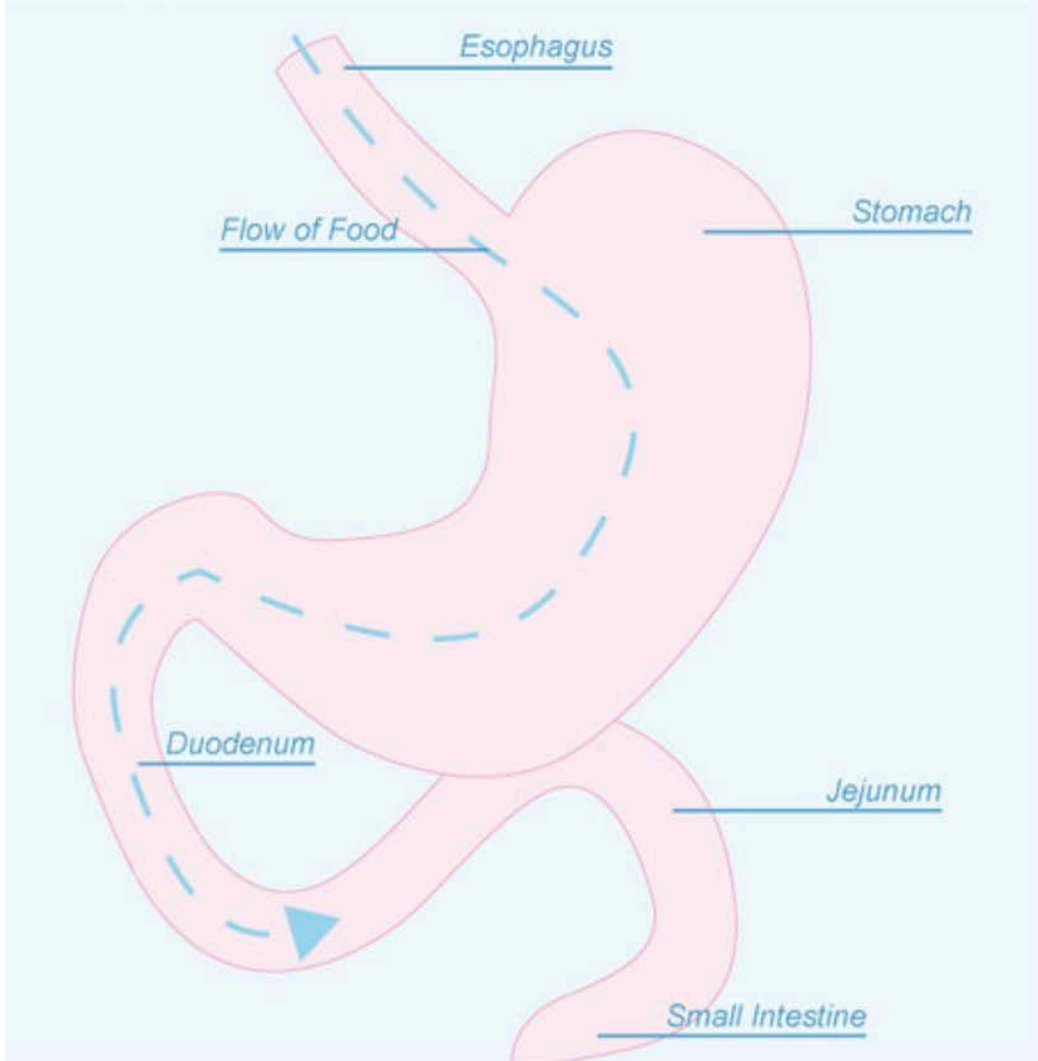
## BENEFITS

- Restricts intake
- Reduction in ghrelin production
- No foreign body
- >50% of excess weight loss

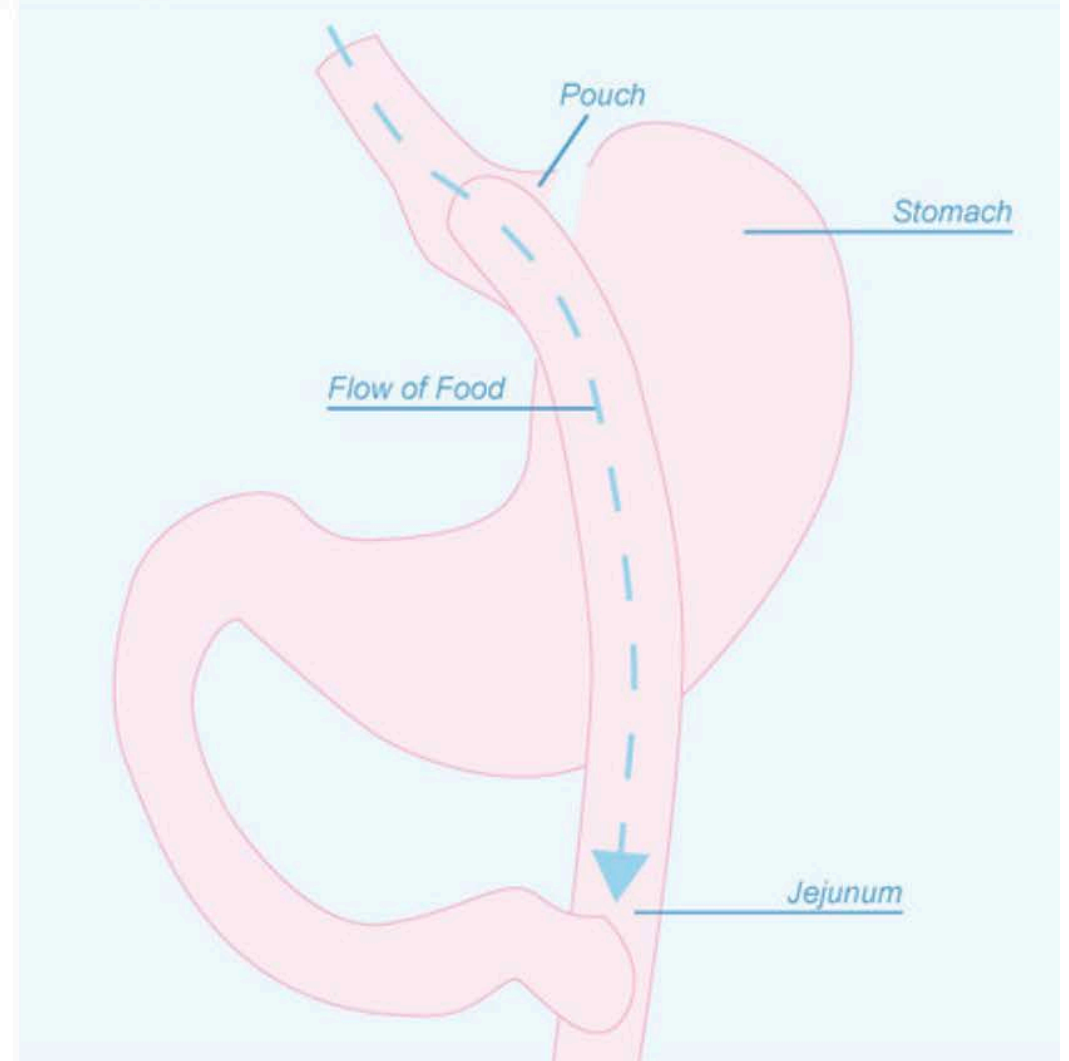
## RISK

- Complication rate <1%
- Irreversible
- Leak
- Bleed
- Malnutrition
- Reflux
- Infection
- DVT
- PE

Before Surgery



After Surgery



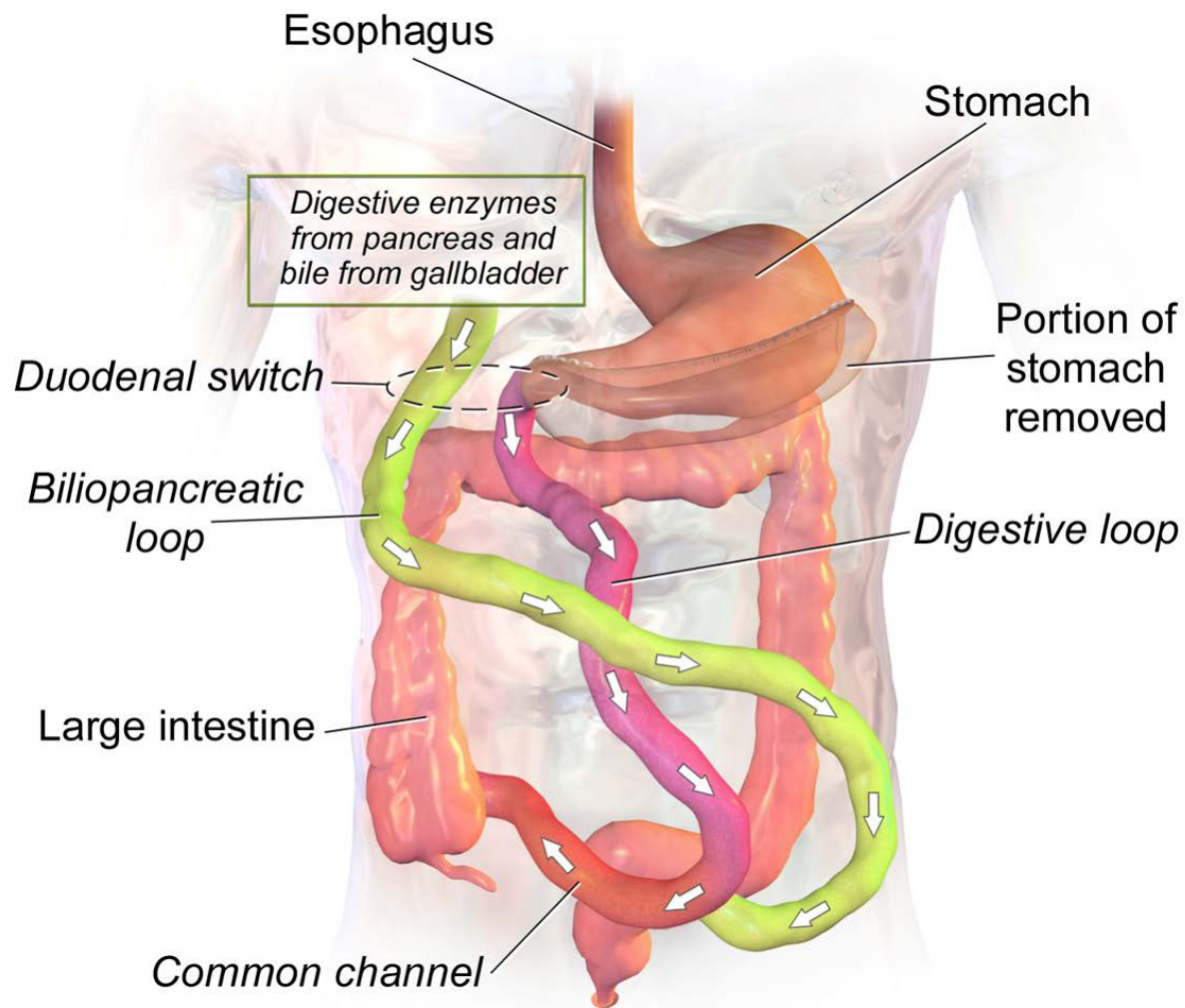
# ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS

## BENEFITS

- Restricts intake
- Improved BG control
- Increased satiety
- Good for gastroparesis and reflux
- Up to 80% of excess weight loss
- No foreign body

## RISKS

- 1.25% complication rate
- Marginal ulcer
- Internal hernia
- Bowel obstruction
- Malnutrition
- SSI
- Dumping syndrome
- Post-prandial hypoglycemia
- DVT
- PE



## Biliopancreatic Diversion with Duodenal Switch

# DUODENAL SWITCH

## BENEFITS

- Restricts intake
- Significant weight loss, reserved for super obesity
- Improved BG control
- Increased satiety
- Good for gastroparesis and reflux
- No foreign body

## RISKS

- Comparable to RYGB
- Bleed
- Leak
- Marginal ulcer
- Internal hernia
- Bowel obstruction
- Dumping syndrome
- Malnutrition
- Infection
- DVT
- PE

# HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR PATIENTS SEEKING SURGERY

Refer!!!

Benefit verification completed by  
surgeon's office

Coverage improving:

- Medicare
- Some state Medicaid plans
- Commercial plans vary by policy

Qualifiers for Surgery:

- BMI  $\geq$  40
- BMI  $\geq$  35 with comorbidities
- Previous attempts at weight loss

# HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR POST-SURGERY PATIENTS



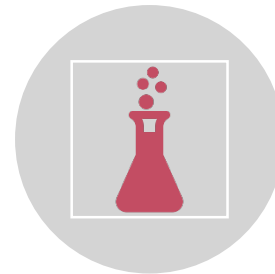
Encourage regular follow-up with surgical team (surgeon, dietitian, behavioral health, support groups, etc.)



Ensure patient is maintaining vitamin and mineral supplementation



Adjust medications as needed



Check labs!!! Every 3 months for the first year, then at least annually thereafter





# RECOMMENDED TESTING

- CBC
- SMA-21
- Lipids
- Thyroid panel
- PTH
- Iron studies
- 25-vitamin D



- Vitamin A
- Folic acid
- Copper
- Zinc
- Selenium
- Thiamin
- DXA

# RESOURCES

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Find a  
Provider

<https://abom.learningbuilder.com/public/membersearch>

<https://asmbs.org/patients/find-a-provider>

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Coverage

<https://www.obesitycoverage.com/insurance-and-costs/am-i-covered/check-my-insurance>

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Standards  
of Care

<https://professional.diabetes.org/content-page/practice-guidelines-resources>

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**QUESTIONS?**

