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Weight Loss (Bariatric) Surgery
There are many non-surgical treatments for obesity such as dieting, exercise, and medicine. Bariatric surgery may be suggested for patients with a high Body Mass Index (BMI) and other medical conditions related to obesity. The most common bariatric procedures are Roux-en-Y gastric bypass and gastric sleeve surgery; gastric banding is sometimes used.

**Gastric Bypass Surgery**
Gastric bypass reduces your stomach size and reroutes your digestive tract. During surgery, your stomach is divided to create a new, smaller stomach. The new stomach is connected to the small intestine and bypasses the larger part of your original stomach. Your new stomach is now much smaller — as is the amount of food it can hold.

**Gastric Sleeve Surgery**
During gastric sleeve surgery, also known as sleeve gastrectomy, most of your stomach is removed. As with gastric bypass, the smaller, sleeve-shaped stomach that remains is sealed and holds only smaller amounts of food.

**Gastric Band Surgery**
Gastric band surgery reduces your stomach size using an adjustable band wrapped around the stomach. Some patients like the idea that lap banding is not permanent, but taking the band off does require a second surgery.

**Surgical Options**
Bariatric surgery can be performed through one large incision in the abdomen which allows doctors to access your organs as they operate. Bariatric surgery is more commonly performed using minimally invasive surgery.

Minimally invasive surgery (laparoscopy) is performed through a few small incisions using long, thin instruments and a small camera. The camera takes images inside your body. The images are sent to a video monitor in the operating room which guides surgeons as they operate.

**Robotic Surgery**
A MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL OPTION
Robotic surgery is an advanced minimally invasive option for people who are thinking about having bariatric surgery.

The robotic system is designed to enable:
- **Magnified 3D HD vision system**
- **Tiny instruments that bend and rotate far greater than the human hand**
- **Enhanced vision, precision, and control**

Your doctor controls the robotic system, which translates his or her hand movements into smaller, precise movements of small instruments inside your body.
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