Dear Colleague,

It is my pleasure to invite you to the 23rd Annual Meeting of the American Society for Bariatric Surgery to be held at the Moscone Center West in San Francisco, California on June 26 to July 1, 2006.

We have seen continued growth in the field of bariatric surgery along with many challenges on the patient access, economic and insurance fronts. We have also been gratified with the acceptance and growth of the CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM.

Dr. DeMaria and his colleagues on the Program Committee have put together another excellent group of presentations which will address many of the pressing clinical, research and socioeconomic issues facing bariatric surgery.

San Francisco and all of its charms and attractions await you along with a wonderful meeting and fellowship. I look forward to seeing all of you at what promises to be an outstanding event.

Sincerely yours,

Neil E. Hutcher, MD
ASBS President June 2005 - June 2006
GENERAL INFORMATION

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2. Increase the comprehension of the development and use of new techniques to achieve weight loss by surgery in the morbidly obese.
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**SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP MEETINGS**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 7:00 A.M. - 8:30 A.M.**

Special Interest Groups are break-out groups designed for specific practitioners and clinicians to network about their unique needs within their disciplines. (No CME credits or Contact Hours are available for these meetings.)

**NURSE PRACTITIONERS and PA's**
This group is designed for nurse practitioners and physician assistants who are clinically involved in the care of bariatric surgical patients in the hospital or clinical setting. MODERATOR: William Gourash, CRNP, MSN

**DIETITIAN**
This group is designed for those individuals who counsel, interact and oversee the unique dietary needs of the bariatric surgical patient in the clinic or hospital setting. MODERATOR: Linda Aills, RD

**SUPPORT GROUP**
This group is designed for those individuals who are responsible for coordinating, facilitating or planning to begin a support group. MODERATOR: Debbie Thompson, RN

**OFFICE SUPPORT STAFF**
This group involves a variety of office personnel including insurance billers, coders and authorizers as well as receptionists and patient coordinators. MODERATOR: TBD

**NURSING**
This group is designed for the nursing personnel who are clinically involved in the care of the bariatric surgical patient in the hospital or clinical setting. MODERATOR: Jill Meador, RN, BSN

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**
This group is designed for psychologists or psychiatrists interacting with the bariatric patient pre- and post-operatively. MODERATOR: Diane LeMont, PhD

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**23rd ANNUAL MEETING SOCIAL PROGRAMS**

**WELCOME RECEPTION**  
**Wednesday, June 28, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**  
Join us for the kick-off reception in the Esplanade Gardens, a beautiful setting including among others, the Butterfly Garden and the Sister Cities Garden. The Welcome Reception is a time to see old friends and make new ones. Dress for this outside venue is business casual, however, keep in mind that the evenings in June can often be cool. A sweater or jacket may be needed. Plenary Session and/or Allied Health General Session registrants are entitled to a complimentary ticket. Guest tickets may be purchased for $35 each.

**ANNUAL RECEPTION AND DINNER DANCE**  
**Friday, June 30, 7:00 p.m. – 12:00 midnight**  
The Reception and Dinner Dance will be held in the Yerba Buena Ballroom at the San Francisco Marriott. Enjoy an evening of fine dining, fantastic live music and dancing the night away. Plenary Session registrants are entitled to a complimentary ticket. Guest tickets may be purchased for $75 each.

**ASBS FOUNDATION EVENT**  
**Wednesday, June 28, 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.**  
Join friends and colleagues for a fun evening of food, drinks, entertainment by “Gaudalupe Brazilian Dance Troop”, dancing and surprise celebrity guests at the 9th Annual ASBS Foundation Event. The Event will be held in the Metropolitan Ballroom at the beautiful Argent Hotel, only a short walk from the convention center. The Event will honor Dr. Nicola Scopinaro recipient of the 2006 Outstanding Achievement Award, supporters, sponsors and 2006 Walk from Obesity event leaders. “Non c’e’ nessun dovere piu’ urgente di quello di rinvio ringraziati”!

MAL Fobi MD  
ASBS Foundation President
INDUSTRY EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS

These workshops are not planned by the ASBS and therefore are not accredited by the ASBS. There is no charge for Annual Meeting participants.

MONDAY, JUNE 26, 7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

1. UNDERSTANDING THE PATIENT: INTERPRETATION, APPLICATION, AND NEW BARIATRIC NORMS OF THE MBMD™ TEST - SPONSORED BY PEARSON ASSESSMENTS

This workshop is designed specifically for psychologists and other health professionals interested in the psychological evaluation of bariatric surgery candidates. Attendees with little or no experience with the Millon™ Behavioral Medicine Diagnostic (MBMD) test, as well as those who have worked with the assessment, will benefit from this workshop. Upon completion of this workshop, participants will have a broad understanding of:

- The empirical foundation of the MBMD test and its development.
- The scales measured by the MBMD test, including psychiatric indicators, coping styles, stress moderators, and treatment prognosticators.
- The test's new bariatric norms and interpretive material designed specifically for the evaluation of bariatric surgery candidates.
- Interpretive guidelines for the MBMD test appropriate to bariatric evaluations (includes review of case studies).

Attendees will earn 3 CE credits for full attendance of this 3 hour workshop; no partial credits awarded.

Workshop Instructors:
(1) Seth Grossman, PsyD, is a co-author of the MBMD test. He is Assistant Dean of the Institute for Advanced Studies in Personology and Psychopathology, as well as a research coordinator and practicing psychologist at Florida International University’s Counseling and Psychological Services Center (2) Susan F. Franks, PhD is Associate Professor in the Departments of Family Medicine and Psychology at the University of North Texas Health Science Center. Call 800.627.7271 or visit www.pearsonassessments.com for more information.

Presented by Pearson Assessments. Pearson Assessments is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. Pearson Assessments maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

2. IMPROVING PRE- AND POST-SURGERY WEIGHT LOSS: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS - SPONSORED BY HEALTHETECH, INC.

Once reserved for only a small number of facilities in the healthcare field, metabolic measurement capability has recently become a possibility for all healthcare professionals. New technology has become available that literally brings this vital capability into the hands of the doctors, nurses, and dietitians that need it most. Now with the ability to accurately, affordably, and conveniently measure a patient’s metabolic rate with a handheld indirect calorimeter, bariatric surgery clinics have begun to adopt a metabolic measurement as a standard of care, both pre and post-operatively.

This workshop is presented to share information about the technology, experiences, implementation, and outcomes gathered by three experts in their fields who have been utilizing metabolic measurements in two different and nationally recognized bariatric surgery programs.

Emphasis will be placed on the practical aspects of metabolic measurement, and will feature demonstrations of both the handheld MedGem™ indirect calorimeter and Balance Log™ nutrition monitoring software (which utilizes a patient’s resting metabolic rate as the basis for an individualized nutrition plan), followed by a question and answer period.

3. REDUCING VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM IN BARIATRIC SURGERY - SPONSORED BY: SANOFI-AVENTIS

Obesity is widely considered to be an independent risk factor for thrombosis. Consideration needs to be given to the fact that obese patients undergoing bariatric surgery may require higher doses of preventive anticoagulating drugs than nonobese patients. In addition, during the initial treatment of a blood clot, careful monitoring of the anticoagulating activity of the drug is recommended in very obese patients (body mass index ≥50 kg/m²) to ensure that they are not being administered doses that are too small or too large.

During this symposium we will explore the scope of the problem of venous thromboembolism (VTE) following bariatric surgery and consider pharmacologic and nonpharmacologic means of thromboprophylaxis. We will present past and novel data supporting use of different antithrombins (unfractionated or low molecular-weight heparin [LMWH]), and will be defining an appropriate dose of an antithrombin in the morbidly obese. In terms of nonpharmacologic prophylaxis, absolute and relative indications for placement of retrievable vena caval filters will be discussed. Although the use of thromboprophylaxis strategies combined with improved patient care may have lowered the incidence of VTE over the years, pulmonary embolism (PE) remains one of the most common preventable causes of in-hospital death in the United States. Physicians need to be educated on this evidence and take a proactive role in prevention of VTE in the bariatric surgical patient.

Learning objectives

- Review the epidemiology of VTE/PE and its burden in bariatric surgery.
- Understand all VTE/PE risk factors (medical and surgical) in patients undergoing bariatric surgery.
- Discuss the current clinical trial data used to support the different therapeutic treatment options in VTE, including unfractionated heparin and LMWH.
- Understand the dosing regimens of anticoagulants in patients at extreme weight.
- Identify prophylaxis strategies to decrease VTE/PE in bariatric surgery.

Agenda:

- The Link Between Bariatric Surgery and VTE
- Prevention of Clots Pre/Post Op
- Clinical Evidence, Trials, Treatment and Prevention Protocols
- Panel Discussion
- Case Studies
- Q&A
4. BARIATRIC OUTCOMES TRACKING AND REPORTING - SPONSORED BY LIVLITE

This workshop will focus on the experiences of LivLite's bariatric surgery programs with the setup and management of patient data and the associated reporting and interpretation of the results.

Bariatric Outcomes Tracking and Reporting is gaining acceptance as a necessity for all bariatric surgery practices in order to satisfy the demands of insurance companies, Center of Excellence designation, patient queries and the surgeons’ desire to strive for optimal outcomes and minimal morbidity.

Since there is not any standardization across the many demands for tracking and reporting bariatric outcomes, it was necessary for us to develop guidelines for our various bariatric surgery practices to gather and enter data, as well as to report on and interpret the results. This process was different from those which are typically used for academic studies and this process needed to be implemented across a wide array of hospital and bariatric program sizes.

TUESDAY, JUNE 27, 7:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

1. IMPROVING SURGICAL OUTCOMES THROUGH NUTRITION - SPONSORED BY: ETHICON ENDO-SURGERY BARIATRICEDGE™

Learn the latest on how nutrition can make the difference in the surgical outcomes of your patients, plus an update on the use of pharmacologic agents.

Nutritional considerations impact all bariatric surgical procedures, and most post-operative complications are nutritional in nature. Issues such as malnutrition and weight gain are largely preventable after surgery if proper patient selection, thorough preoperative education, and postoperative follow-up take place along with patient compliance.

In this workshop, you will learn why the new ASBS Guidelines on Nutrition were established. A Registered Dietitian will explain what the guidelines will accomplish, along with the highlights of the guidelines by surgical procedure. A surgeon will present several case studies on nutritional complications, and how to avoid such complications. Finally, an update on the use of pharmacologic agents used both pre and post-operatively will be addressed, followed by a panel discussion with all presenters.

2. POST-BARIATRIC PLASTIC SURGERY: WHAT YOU AND YOUR PATIENTS SHOULD KNOW - SPONSORED BY THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF PLASTIC SURGEONS

This special seminar is chaired by J. Peter Rubin, M.D., and includes other representatives from the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. The program highlights the development of this new and exciting field of plastic surgery, and provides important information about timing of surgery, patient selection and safety, procedures available, insurance issues, and choosing a plastic surgeon.

3. INAMED HEALTH 2006 ASBS INDUSTRY EDUCATION EVENT - SPONSORED BY INAMED HEALTH

As the medical community has accepted the LAP-BAND as a safe and effective procedure, its popularity has grown rapidly. Patients are becoming more aware of this surgical option and are demanding the LAP-BAND due to its safety and minimally invasiveness.

This industry workshop, sponsored by INAMED Health, will educate surgeons and allied health professionals about the latest developments in LAP-BAND technology, reimbursement, clinical outcomes, and patient care.

Some of the specific topics to be addressed are:

- Recent clinical data published on the LAP-BAND
- New LAP-BAND System product enhancements
- Recent Medicare National Coverage Decision and new CPT codes for the LAP-BAND
- Patient aftercare models and new approaches to managing patients

Dinner will be served. RSVP required.

4. BARIATRIC SURGERY FELLOWSHIP TRAINING – TODAY AND TOMORROW - SPONSORED BY: THE FELLOWSHIP COUNCIL AND THE AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR BARIATRIC SURGERY

The current explosion in interest and availability of minimally invasive surgery fellowships can be directly traced to the dramatic increase in minimally invasive bariatric surgeries. ASBS is a participating organization in the Fellowship Council which began as a program directors' society for minimally invasive surgery and is now charged with oversight of advanced GI fellowships, including bariatric surgery training.

The speakers will describe the current status of GI fellowships including bariatric surgery. Fellowship Council leadership will review the FC organizational structure and initiatives, including the status of fellowship accreditation which is well underway. The Program Directors' perspective on fellow recruitment / selection will be contrasted to that of the fellowship candidate.

Many changes in surgical training are likely in the near future and The American Board of Surgery will present its viewpoint on GI Fellowship training and how it will evolve in the coming years. Finally, new guidelines for fellowship training in bariatric surgery are being proposed by ASBS to be instituted by the Fellowship Council and these will be presented for discussion by the panelists and comments from attending ASBS members. This program will give ASBS members the opportunity to learn what is coming soon that will impact their fellowship training programs and provide the opportunity to critique the proposed guidelines.

Presented by the Fellowship Council and the American Society for Bariatric Surgery
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ADVANCED OR NURSES AND SURGICAL TEAM COURSE

MONDAY, JUNE 26 - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR: JENNIFER GIANOS, RNFA, CNOR
FACULTY: Carlos Carrasquilla, MD; Jennifer Gianos, RNFA, CNOR; Melodie Moorehead, PhD; Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN; Walter Pories, MD; Robert Rabkin, MD and Scott Shikora, MD

(by May 26) Members $250 - Non-Members $350
(after May 26) Members $300 - Non-Members $400

COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:
This course is designed for the operating room staff as well as PACU nurses who desire expertise in caring for the bariatric surgical patients with intra-operative or post-operative complications/challenges. The course teaches anticipation of surgical needs and a better understanding of the most commonly done procedures in the United States today, as well as new possible procedures which will be available soon. Dealing with the unexpected operative event and post-operative complications including those encountered with the Roux-En-Y, BPD/DS and also adjustable gastric banding. Psychological issues concerning the bariatric patient. (Up to 7.0 credits available.)

OBJECTIVES:
1. List necessary equipment and special needs for intra-operative complication management;
2. List possible early and late post-operative complications in Roux-En-Y Gastric Bypass, DS/BPD as well as adjustable gastric banding;
3. Identify psychological issues with the unexpected complication of the bariatric patient;
4. The participant will be aware of equipment needed and have a better understanding of the gastric stimulator (pacemaker);

COURSE OUTLINE:
8:00 a.m. Welcome
8:05 a.m. Complications in Roux-En-Y Gastric Bypass surgery which need surgical intervention and case studies – Carlos Carrasquilla, MD
9:15 a.m. Unexpected intra-operative complication which may occur – Jennifer Gianos, RNFA, CNOR
9:45 a.m. Peri-operative nurses’ point of view – Jennifer Gianos, RNFA, CNOR
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. The Obese Patient: The challenges of today's health care team – Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN
11:00 a.m. “Keep Hope Alive” – Melodie Moorehead, PhD
11:30 a.m. Q & A
12:00 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. Gastric Stimulator (pacemaker); Operative procedure, equipment and update – Scott Shikora, MD
1:30 p.m. Complications in adjustable gastric bands which need surgical intervention and case studies – Scott Shikora, MD
2:00 p.m. Complications in BPD/DS which need surgical intervention and case studies – Robert Rabkin, MD
2:30 p.m. Break
2:45 p.m. Distinguished Guest Speaker: Walter Pories, MD: “Who would have thought a scalpel could cure diabetes”
3:45 p.m. Q & A
4:00 p.m. Adjourn
ALLIED HEALTH ESSENTIALS IN SURGICAL SUPPORT COURSE

MONDAY, JUNE 26 - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR: TRACY MARTINEZ, RN, BSN
FACULTY: Linda Aills, RD; Laura Boyer, RN; Walter Lindstrom, Jr., Esq.; Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN; Barbara Metcalf, RN; Bobbie Lou Price, RN, BSN; and Alan Wittgrove, MD

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COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:
This course is designed for one time attendance and will provide an overview of the fundamentals of bariatric surgical practice management. While the course is designed for the allied health professional new to the field it can provide a review for the experienced allied health professional who has not attended this course in the past. (Up to 7.5 CEU credits available.)

OBJECTIVES:
1. Describe the disease of morbid obesity;
2. Identify appropriate bariatric surgical candidates;
3. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of bariatric surgical procedures;
4. Identify post-operative metabolic deficiencies and discuss treatment;
5. Discuss the management of post-operative metabolic complications;
6. Discuss the role of support groups and exercise for bariatric surgery patients;
7. Explain the importance of a multi-disciplinary bariatric program;
8. Interpret insurance and authorization issues;
9. Describe practice planning and marketing strategies.

COURSE OUTLINE:
8:00 a.m. Introduction
8:05 a.m. The disease of morbid obesity – Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN
8:45 a.m. The surgical treatment of morbid obesity – Alan Wittgrove, MD
9:30 a.m. Break
9:45 a.m. Patient education and informed consent – Laura Boyer, RN
10:30 a.m. Post-op care – Bobbie Lou Price, RN, BSN
11:00 a.m. Nutrition/vitamin therapy – Linda Aills, RD
12:00 p.m. Lunch
1:00 p.m. Role of exercise and support group – Barbara Metcalf, RN
1:30 p.m. Patient follow-up – Bobbie Lou Price, RN, BSN
1:50 p.m. Psychological support – Melodie Moorehead, PhD
2:50 p.m. Break
3:05 p.m. Insurance and surgical access – Walter Lindstrom, Jr., Esq.
4:00 p.m. Faculty Panel Discussion and Questions/Answers
4:15 p.m. Evaluations and post-test
4:30 p.m. Adjourn
MONDAY, JUNE 26 - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM & TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
PROGRAM DIRECTORS: CATHY RETO, Ph.D AND JAMES E. MITCHELL, MD

Price for Both Days:
(by May 26) Members $400 - Non-Members $500
(after May 26) Members $450 - Non-Members $550

Price for One Day:
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COURSE OVERVIEW:
The Allied Health section of the ASBS is proud to announce the expansion of the Masters’ Course in Behavioral Health to two full days of cutting edge empirical data and applied clinical presentations regarding the psycho-social topics related to pre- and post-operative care of the bariatric surgery patient. (Up to 6.5 CEU’s per day for psychologists.)

DAY 1 - Monday, June 26

7:45 – 8:15  CEU REGISTRATION
8:15  a.m.  WELCOME  Cathy Reto, Ph.D.

SECTION 1: POST-SURGERY OUTCOME
8:20 a.m.  1.  TWO-YEAR CHANGES IN BMI AND HEALTH-RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE IN GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS VERSUS CONTROLS. Ronette L Kolotkin, PhD, Ross D Crosby, PhD, Richard E Gress, MA, Steven C Hunt, PhD
8:40 a.m.  2.  INVESTIGATION OF WEIGHT-RELATED RELATIONSHIP ADJUSTMENT IN FEMALE OBESITY SURGERY PATIENTS. Lindsey Bocchieri—Ricciardi, PhD, Marta Meana, PhD, Barry L Fisher, MD, Ross Crosby, PhD
9:00 a.m.  3.  BEHAVIORAL WEIGHT CONTROL STRATEGIES FOR BARIATRIC SURGERY. Marsha Marcus, PhD, Melissa A Kalarchian, PhD, Michele D Levine, PhD, Anita P Courcoulas, MD
9:20 a.m.  4.  CHANGES IN BODY IMAGE AND EXPERIENCES WITH PLASTIC SURGERY FOLLOWING BARIATRIC SURGERY. David B. Sarwer, PhD, James E. Mitchell, MD, J. Kevin Thompson, PhD, Alexander Baker, BA
9:40 a.m.  5.  DISCUSSION – Marsha Marcus, MD
10:20 a.m.  6.  COFFEE BREAK/NETWORKING

SECTION 2: EATING BEHAVIOR
10:40 a.m.  7.  PROBLEMATIC EATING BEHAVIORS POST BARIATRIC SURGERY. James E Mitchell, MD, Martina de Zwaan, MD, Ross D Crosby, Ph.D, Steve Wonderlich, Ph.D., Kathy Lancaster
11:00 a.m.  8.  COMPARISON OF OUTCOMES FROM LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING BETWEEN PATIENTS WITH AND WITHOUT BINGE EATING DISORDER. Warren Huberman, PhD, George A Fielding, MD, Christine J Ren, MD
11:20 a.m.  9.  PREOPERATIVE CHARACTERISTICS AND POSTOPERATIVE DIETARY ADHERENCE AS PREDICTORS OF WEIGHT LOSS FOLLOWING GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY: A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION. David B. Sarwer, PhD, Lauren M. Gibbons, BA, Anthony N Fabricatore, PhD, Thomas A. Wadden, PhD
11:40 a.m.  DISCUSSION—James E. Mitchell, MD
12:20 p.m.  LUNCH
1:30 p.m.  NON-PSYCHIATRIC FACTORS IN PSYCHOLOGICAL BARIATRIC SURGERY EVALUATIONS: EXPECTATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE. Andrea Bauchowitz, PhD, Linda Gonder-Frederick, PhD, Leila Azarbad, MEd
1:50 p.m.  PANEL DISCUSSION—WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE PSYCH EVALUATION? Moderator: TBA Wadden/Bauchowitz/Wittgrove/Sugerman/Engstrom
2:40 p.m.  COFFEE/NETWORKING
3:00 p.m.  CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS
A: NUTS & BOLTS OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION. David Engstrom, MD, Buddy Messer, PsyD., Lisa Steres
B: BEYOND THE PRE-SURGICAL PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION: PSYCHOSOCIAL INTERVENTIONS TO ENHANCE PATIENT SUCCESS WITH BARIATRIC SURGERY. Kelli E Friedman, PhD, Katherine L Applegate, PhD, Stephanie Sogg, PhD
4:30 p.m.  ADJOURN
MASTERS COURSE IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

DAY 2 - Tuesday, June 27

7:45 – 8:15  CEU REGISTRATION
8:15 a.m.  WELCOME CATHY RETO, PH.D.

SECTION 3: PSYCHOPATHOLOGY

8:20 a.m.  8.  PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS AMONG BARIATRIC SURGERY PATIENTS: RELATIONSHIP TO BMI AND HEALTH-RELATED QUALITY OF LIFE. Melissa A Kalarchian, PhD, Marsha Marcus, PhD, Michele D. Levine, PhD, Anita P Courcoulas, MD

8:40 a.m.  9.  COMPARATIVE OUTCOMES OF BIPOLAR AND NON-BIPOLAR BARIATRIC SURGERY PATIENTS. L Buddy D Messer, PsyD, Melissa M Davis, MSN, CNS, Robin P Blackstone, MD, FACS

9:00 a.m.  10.  CAN THE MMPI-2 BE USED TO PREDICT CHALLENGING TO MANAGE BARIATRIC PATIENTS? Marlene A Bannen, PhD, Michelle A Mathiason, MS, Pamela J Lambert, RN, Christopher A Larson, PA-C, Heather L. Gustafson, RD, Shanu N Kothari, MD

9:20 a.m.  11.  ETHNIC DIFFERENCES IN PSYCHOSOCIAL RESPONSE TO MORBID OBESITY AMONG AFRICAN AMERICAN AND CAUCASIAN FEMALES. Heidi Cherwony, PsyD, Robert T Marema, MD, Cynthia K Buffington, PhD

9:40 a.m.  DISCUSSION - Pat O’Neil
10:20 a.m.  COFFEE BREAK/NETWORKING

SECTION 4: MISCELLANEOUS

10:40 a.m.  12.  SMOKING AND POSTCESSATION WEIGHT GAIN AMONG BARIATRIC SURGERY CANDIDATES. Michele D Levine, PhD, Melissa A Kalarchian, PhD, Anita P Courcoulas, MD, Marsha Marcus, PhD

11:00 a.m.  13.  RELATION OF CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE AND OTHER FORMS OF MALTREATMENT TO 12-MONTH POST-OPERATIVE OUTCOMES IN EXTREMELY OBESE GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS. Marney A. White, PhD, Robin Masheb, PhD, Bruce S Rothschild, MD, Carolyn H Burke-Martindale, APRN, Carlos M Grilo, PhD

11:20 a.m.  14.  HISTORY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN BARIATRIC SURGERY CANDIDATES. Steven C Poplawski, MD, Matthew G Poplawski

11:40 a.m.  DISCUSSION – TBA
12:20 p.m.  Lunch
1:30 p.m.  15.  PSYCHOSOCIAL STATUS OF ADOLESCENTS CONSIDERING BARIATRIC SURGERY. Meg H Zeller, PhD, Avani C. Modi, PhD, Helmut R Roehrig, PhD, Richard Boles, MS, Shelley Kirk, PhD, Stephen R Daniels, MD, PhD, Thomas H Inge, MD, PhD

1:50 p.m.  PANEL DISCUSSION - BARIATRIC SURGERY IN ADOLESCENTS. Moderator- David Sarwer, PhD Zeller/Courcoulas/Inge/ Ren

2:40 p.m.  COFFEE/NETWORKING
3:00 p.m.  CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS
A: PRE-WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY PSYCHO-EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM TO INCREASE RATES OF POST-SURGICAL FOLLOW-UP. Greg Cox, Ph.D, Nancy Ryland, Ph.D.
B: SENSITIVITY AND TRAINING. Mike Warthen, MDiv, APC. US Bariatric

4:30 p.m.  ADJOURN
BARIATRIC STATISTICS COURSE

MONDAY, JUNE 26 - 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR and LECTURER: GEORGE S. M. COWAN, JR., MD
PANEL: Donald Booth, MD; Henry Buchwald, MD; Edward E. Mason, MD; Glen Rose;
George S. M. Cowan, Jr., MD (Moderator)

(by May 26) Members $125 - Non-Members $225
(after May 26) Members $175 - Non-Members-$275

COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:
To provide a gentle, user-friendly “review of basic statistics for Non-Dummies” for a national and international audience consisting primarily of bariatric surgeons, physicians, nurses, nutritionists, mental health and other allied health personnel. (Up to 3.0 CME/3.5 CEU credit hours available)

OBJECTIVES:
1. Understand the differences between parametric and non-parametric statistics sufficiently to identify the circumstances in which they may be appropriately and inappropriately applied in their own programs;
2. Develop an intuitive, practical, minimal-math, understanding of the use of descriptive and inferential statistics including some of the available parametric and non-parametric statistics descriptors and tests, such means, standard deviation, standard error of the mean, histograms, Z-Scores, t-tests, regression analysis and the Wilcoxon Rank test;
3. Apply this knowledge to bariatric surgery program data such as may be contained in attendees’ databases.

COURSE OUTLINE:
1:00 p.m. User Friendly Statistics for Non-Dummies, Part I - George S. M. Cowan, Jr., MD
2:30 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. User Friendly Statistics for Non-Dummies, Part II - George S. M. Cowan, Jr., MD
3:45 p.m. Panel Session: Donald Booth, MD; Henry Buchwald, MD; Edward E. Mason, MD; Glen Rose;
George S. M. Cowan, Jr., MD (Moderator), Questions and Answers, Wrap-up Comments
4:30 p.m. Adjourn
ESSENTIALS OF BARIATRIC SURGERY: THE FOUNDATIONS TO A SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR: SCOTT A. SHIKORA, MD

(by May 26) Members $275 - Non-Members $375
(after May 26) Members $325 - Non-Members $425

COURSE OVERVIEW:
This course provides an overview of the surgical approach to the management of the morbidly obese patient. It is designed primarily for surgeons new to the field, but it is also a great review for the experienced bariatric surgeon. (Up to 7.0 CME credits available.)

OBJECTIVES:
1. Describe the disease of morbid obesity and its comorbid conditions;
2. Determine medical weight loss options;
3. Summarize the history of weight loss surgery;
4. Recognize the various surgical procedures that are common today;
5. Select appropriate bariatric surgical candidates through medical and behavioral assessment;
6. Specify contraindications for surgery;
7. Explain common peri-operative complications and long term nutritional consequences.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Session I: The Disease of Obesity and Medical Solutions
8:00 a.m. Obesity and its comorbid conditions – Peter Benotti, MD
8:30 a.m. The worldwide epidemic of obesity – Harvey Sugerman, MD
9:00 a.m. Medical weight loss options – John Dixon, MD
9:30 a.m. What the surgeon should know about the popular diets – Margaret Furtado
10:00 a.m. Break

Session II: Surgical Treatment Options
10:30 a.m. What history has taught us – Eric DeMaria, MD
11:00 a.m. Restrictive procedures (VBG and banding) – Christine Ren, MD
11:30 a.m. Roux-Y gastric bypass – Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD
12:00 p.m. Malabsorptive procedures – Gary Anthone, MD
12:30 p.m. Lunch

Session III: Laying the Groundwork for Surgery
1:30 p.m. Pre-operative medical assessment – Raul Rosenthal, MD
2:00 p.m. Behavioral and nutritional screening – Margaret Furtado
2:30 p.m. Contraindications for surgery – Scott Shikora, MD
3:00 p.m. Break

Session IV: Perioperative and Postoperative Issues
3:30 p.m. Common peri-operative complications – John Kelly, MD
4:00 p.m. Long term nutrition consequences – C. Daniel Smith, MD
4:30 p.m. Diagnosing complications years after surgery - Robert Brolin, MD
5:00 p.m. Wrap up and adjourn
ADVANCED LAPAROSCOPIC SUTURING COURSE

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - AM COURSE: 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. PM COURSE (repeat of AM) 1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
COURSE DIRECTOR: KELVIN HIGA, MD

(by May 26) Members $400 - Non-Members $500
(after May 26) Members $450 - Non-Members $550

COURSE OVERVIEW:
This course is intended to provide instruction in laparoscopic suturing techniques for surgeons performing bariatric surgery. Techniques for extracorporeal and intracorporeal suturing will be demonstrated, with both interrupted and continuous suture. A didactic lecture will provide instruction on techniques to improve laparoscopic suturing skills. This is a hands-on course with the goal of being able to perform a hand sewn two layer closure at the end of the lab. (Up to 4.0 CME credits are available.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. List the appropriate equipment for laparoscopic suture;
2. Describe set-up for laparoscopic suturing;
3. Demonstrate extracorporeal and intracorporeal suturing techniques.

PROGRAM:
• Principles of laparoscopic suturing and instrumentation
• Extracorporeal suturing
• Intracorporeal suturing
• Continuous suturing and anastomotic techniques
ADVANCED BARIATRIC SURGERY: CONTROVERSIES IN BARIATRIC SURGERY

TUESDAY, JUNE 27 - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR: SCOTT A. SHIKORA, MD

(by May 26) Members $275 - Non-Members $375
(after May 26) Members $325 - Non-Members-$425

COURSE OVERVIEW:
This course is a step beyond the basic essentials of bariatric surgery, but still encompasses a broad spectrum of topics regarding the surgical techniques and care of the bariatric patient. The course will focus on more challenging issues such as complications, super-obese patients and revisional surgeries. (Up to 7.0 CME credits available.)

OBJECTIVES:
1. Analyze the various instruments available and determine which procedure is best for your patient;
2. Demonstrate treatment for GERD after banding;
3. Recognize the common complications associated with bariatric surgery and how to manage them;
4. Describe preventable complications and differentiate the various methods of treatment;
5. Debate the issue of pre-op patient compliance through weight loss and/or smoking cessation;
6. Consider various methods of identifying abdominal pain in the post-op patient.

COURSE OUTLINE:

Session I: Treating/Preventing Complications
8:00 a.m. How to manage an acute leak – Stephen Scott, MD
8:30 a.m. How best to manage LapBand® complications – Jeffrey Allen, MD
9:00 a.m. This is how to treat acute gastrointestinal bleeds – J. Kenneth Champion, MD
9:30 a.m. How to prevent internal hernias – Julie Kim, MD
10:00 a.m. Break

Session II: What to Do When Bariatric Procedures Fail
10:30 a.m. Do nothing! – Julie Kim, MD
11:00 a.m. Band the bypass? – Marc Bessler, MD
11:30 a.m. Bypass the band? – Daniel Herron, MD
12:00 p.m. Switch away? – George Fielding, MD
12:30 p.m. Lunch

Session III: The Masters Round. This is “What I Do”
1:30 p.m. Nutritional support for the critically ill patient – Scott Shikora, MD
2:00 p.m. Managing the difficult patient – Kenneth MacDonald, Jr., MD
2:30 p.m. This is the best method for Lap-Band® fills – Jaime Ponce, MD
3:00 p.m. Break

Session IV: “I Will Convince you that …..”
3:30 p.m. Gastric bypass is the best all-round operation – Alan Wittgrove, MD
4:00 p.m. Laparoscopic adjustable gastric band is the best operation – George Fielding, MD
4:30 p.m. BPD with or without duodenal switch should be the standard operative procedure for all patients – Picard Marceau, MD
5:00 p.m. Wrap up and adjourn
OR NURSES, PACU NURSES, CRNA (ANESTHESIA) AND DIRECTORS OF SURGICAL SERVICES

TUESDAY, JUNE 27  -  AM COURSE: 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.  PM COURSE (repeat of AM) 1:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

COURSE DIRECTOR: JENNIFER GIANOS, RN, CNOR
FACULTY: Munish Batra, MD, FACS; Dana Weaver, RN, MSN, CNOR; Kim Rivello, BSN, CRNA

(by May 26)  Members $125 - Non-Members $225
(after May 26)  Members $175 - Non-Members-$325

COURSE OVERVIEW:
This ½ day course is designed to cover topics related to specific issues dealing with operative cost containment and to generate outside revenue. The special needs of bariatric patients with anesthesia concerns to PACU issues, primary bariatric surgery to emergency and revisions. Lastly, plastic surgery issues for the bariatric patients when it is time.

OBJECTIVES:
1. Identify cost saving measures to be utilized in your program;
2. Possible outside revenue consideration from bariatric surgery;
3. Discuss possible anesthesia and PACU special needs in caring for the bariatric patient;
4. Identify elements pertinent to bariatric plastic surgery reconstruction;
5. Understand the importance of implementing a specialized team for anesthesia and PACU for the bariatric patient.

COURSE A (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
9:00 a.m. Welcome
9:10 a.m. Cost containment and possible outside revenue in your bariatric program. Dana Weaver, RN, MSN, CNOR
9:45 a.m. Plastic surgery in the bariatric patients. Munish Batra, MD, FACS
10:10 a.m. Break
10:25 a.m. Bariatric anesthesia “Special Needs for this Population” – Recovering the bariatric patients PACU concerns. Kim Rivello, BSN, CRNA
11:25 a.m. Q & A Panel
12:00 p.m. Adjourn

COURSE B (1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) (Repeat of AM Course)
1:00 p.m. Welcome
1:10 p.m. Cost containment and possible outside revenue in your bariatric program. Dana Weaver, RN, MSN, CNOR
1:45 p.m. Plastic surgery in the bariatric patients. Munish Batra, MD, FACS
2:10 p.m. Break
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3:25 p.m. Q & A Panel
4:00 p.m. Adjourn
ALLIED HEALTH POST-GRADUATE COURSES:
CASE STUDY PRESENTATIONS

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
COURSE DIRECTOR: BOBBIE LOU PRICE, RN, BSN
Course offered both in the morning and afternoon. (Up to 3.0 CEU credits available per course.)

(by May 26) Members $125 - Non-Members $225
(after May 26) Members $175 - Non-Members $275

FACULTY: Kenneth MacDonald, Jr., MD; Teresa Leath RN; Diane LeMont, PhD; Kathleen McCauley, Esq.; Jeff Allen, MD; Linda Aills, RD; Jill Meador, RN, BSN; James Maher, MD; Bobbie Lou Price, RN, BSN.

COURSE OVERVIEW:
With an increase in Allied Health’s participation in pre-, peri-, and post-operative care of the bariatric patient, the demand for increased advanced knowledge in caring for the surgical bariatric patient is imperative. This three-hour case presentation will enlighten participants on potential medical, psychological and nutritional complications.

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this course participants should be able to:
1. Identify signs and symptoms of post-operative complications;
2. Discuss possible psychological concerns in the bariatric surgical patient;
3. Discuss interventions in dealing with difficult patients;
4. Discuss the psychological impact on patients undergoing bariatric surgery.

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ALLIED HEALTH POST-GRADUATE COURSES:
MANAGING CHALLENGING PATIENTS

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
COURSE DIRECTOR: REBECCA MUDGETT, RN, CNOR

Course offered both in the morning and afternoon. (Up to 3.0 CEU credits available per course.)

(by May 26) Members $125 - Non-Members $225
(after May 26) Members $175 - Non-Members-$275

FACULTY: Christopher Still, DO; David Engstrom, PhD; Jenny Sweeney, RN; Helmut Roehrig, PhD; James Dickinson, MD; Rebecca Mudgett, RN, CNOR

COURSE OVERVIEW:
When you enter into the world of bariatric surgery, you enter into a world of challenges. There are many ways that these challenges present themselves. This course will discuss some of the more common issues and also some of the more obscure challenges that you may have to deal with.

OBJECTIVES:
1. Describe patient challenges and address appropriately;
2. Identify barriers to successful adolescent bariatric outcomes;
3. Recognize promiscuity as a growing concern for adolescent bariatric patients;
4. Assess levels of grazing, inactivity and emotional eating and apply treatment options;
5. Review common causes and treatment strategies for post-operative nausea/vomiting, nutritional deficiencies and weight gain;
6. Recognize and treat physical and emotional complexities of a complicated surgery

COURSE B (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
9:00 a.m. Introduction - Rebecca Mudgett, RN, CNOR
9:05 a.m. Patient Challenges; How Can I Count The Ways - Rebecca Mudgett, RN, CNOR
9:15 a.m. Postop Teens – The Shrek Effect - Helmut Roehrig, PhD and Jenny Sweeney, RN, MSN
9:45 a.m. Break
10:00 a.m. Life After Bariatric Surgery: Throwing Up, Breaking Down and Bulging Out - Christopher Still, DO
10:30 a.m. Behaviorally Challenging Patients: Grazing Inactivity and Emotional Eating - David Engstrom, PhD
11:00 a.m. Complicated Complications - James Dickinson, MD
11:30 a.m. Panel (Q & A)
12:00 p.m. Adjourn

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3:00 p.m. Complicated Complications - James Dickinson, MD
3:30 p.m. Panel (Q & A)
5:00 p.m. Adjourn
**ALLIED HEALTH POST-GRADUATE COURSES:**

**THE PATHOPHYSIOLOGY OF MORBID OBESITY**

**TUESDAY, JUNE 27**

**COURSE DIRECTOR: TRACY MARTINEZ, RN, BSN**

Course offered both in the morning and afternoon. (Up to 3.0 CEU credits available per course.)

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(after May 26)  Members $175 - Non-Members-$275

**MODERATOR: Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN**

**FACULTY: Walter Pories MD, FACS; Christopher Still, DO; Dominic Munafo, MD; Tracy Martinez, RN, BSN**

**COURSE OVERVIEW:**

This half-day course will explore the systemic affect morbid obesity has on the body. Presented by leaders in their field, certain co morbidities will be studied in-depth to gain detailed knowledge of the pathophysiology of the disease process.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Registered nurses, vocational nurses and other clinical personnel who are involved with the clinical care of the morbidly obese patient.

**OBJECTIVES:**

Upon completion of this course the participant will be able to:

1. Describe metabolic syndrome;
2. Discuss the effects of morbid obesity on fertility, POS, ovarian and breast cancer;
3. Explain the effect of type 11 diabetes on an end organ level;
4. Discuss the effects of sleep apnea on the cardiovascular system.

**COURSE C-AM (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)**

9:00 a.m. Welcome
9:10 a.m. Type II Diabetes – Walter Pories, MD
9:45 a.m. Metabolic Syndrome – Christopher Still, DO
10:10 a.m. Break
10:25 a.m. Sleep Apnea – Dominic Munafo, MD
10:55 a.m. Infertility, Polycystic Disease, Ovarian Disease, and High Risk Pregnancies - TBD
11:30 a.m. Q & A Panel
12:00 p.m. Adjourn

**COURSE C-PM (1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.) (Repeat of AM Course)**

1:00 p.m. Welcome
1:10 p.m. Type II Diabetes – Walter Pories, MD
1:45 p.m. Metabolic Syndrome – Christopher Still, DO
2:10 p.m. Break
2:25 p.m. Sleep Apnea – Dominic Munafo, MD
2:55 p.m. Infertility, Polycystic Disease, Ovarian Disease, and High Risk Pregnancies - TBD
3:30 p.m. Q & A Panel
ALLIED HEALTH POST-GRADUATE COURSES:
MASTERING THE ART OF INSURANCE APPROVAL

TUESDAY, JUNE 27
COURSE DIRECTOR: WALTER LINDSTROM, JR., ESQ.
Course offered both in the morning and afternoon. (Up to 3.0 CEU credits available per course.)

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(after May 26) Members $175 - Non-Members $275

FACULTY: Jeff Allen, MD; Michel Murr, MD; Karen Murphy, CFNP; Ellen Bell, RMA; Veronica Wilkins and Walter Lindstrom, Jr., Esq.

COURSE OVERVIEW:
The most difficult issue for many patients to deal with regarding bariatric surgery is the process of obtaining insurance approval. This course is designed to extend well beyond the basics and will address payer-related strategies for each of the major procedures, how surgeons can work effectively with payers, and how to meet the challenges of payers resistant to covering bariatric surgery on a widespread basis.

OBJECTIVES:
1. Understand how to submit a comprehensive request for preauthorization, follow-up with payers and know patient appeal/grievance options;
2. Identify and address different payers concerns for different bariatric operations (gastric bypass, LAP-BAND® and BPD/DS);
3. Discuss how surgeons can educate payers about bariatric surgery coverage;
4. Learn strategies to deal with payers who refuse to cover bariatric surgery on a widespread basis.

COURSE D-AM (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)
9:00 a.m. Welcome - Walter Lindstrom, Esq.
9:10 a.m. Current Events and Cutting Edge Issues - Walter Lindstrom, Esq.
9:30 a.m. Why Surgeons Need To Work Cooperatively With Payers (And How To Do It) - Jeff Allen, MD
10:00 a.m. How To Manage The Entire Insurance Preauthorization Process - Veronica Wilkins
10:25 a.m. Break
10:45 a.m. Improving LAP-BAND® Approval Rates - Karen Murphy, CFNP
11:15 a.m. Getting the BPD/DS Approved By Payers - Ellen Bell, RMA
11:35 a.m. What To Do When The Whole State Stops Paying! (Or “How I practice in Florida and still pay the rent!”) - Michel Murr, MD
12:00 p.m. Adjourn

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4:00 p.m. Adjourn
ADVANCED BARIATRIC LIFE SUPPORT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 - 7:50 AM - 5:15 PM
COURSE DIRECTOR: J. K. CHAMPION, MD
Course Co-Chairs: Kelvin Higa, MD; Daniel Herron, MD; Mary Reed, MD; Ninh T. Nguyen, MD

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(after May 26) Members $325 - Non-Members $425

COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:
This course is designed for the bariatric surgeons, general surgeons who provide call coverage for bariatric surgeons, ER physicians, Critical Care specialists, Hospitalists, Internists who manage post-op bariatric patients, and Bariatric Nursing staff. The ABLS is an organized approach for evaluation and management of seriously life-threatening conditions in bariatric patients. The program gives a foundation of common knowledge for all members of the bariatric team. This knowledge is applicable in both large tertiary hospitals as well as small rural emergency departments. (Up to 7.0 CME credits available.)

OBJECTIVES:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. Assess the patient's condition expeditiously;
2. Resuscitate and stabilize the patient;
3. Determine if the patient's needs exceed a facility's capabilities (such as the need for interventional radiology and a scanner capable of accommodating the superobese);
4. Arrange appropriately for the patient's definitive care by a bariatric surgeon and specialists with experience in caring for the morbidly obese;
5. Ensure that optimum care is provided by an experienced bariatric surgical team in a facility capable of caring for critically ill bariatric patients.

COURSE OUTLINE
7:50 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

SESSION 1: The Critically Ill Bariatric Patient
8:00 a.m. Recognizing impending disaster in the morbidly obese and institute early intervention and resuscitation - Kelvin Higa, MD
8:30 a.m. Prerequisite personnel, equipment, critical care pathways, and facility to care for the critically ill bariatric patients, include the need for transfer to tertiary centers - Daniel Herron, MD
9:00 a.m. Acute respiratory failure Pulmonary emboli, and DVT after bariatric surgery, airway and ventilatory management for bariatric patients - J. K. Champion, MD
9:30 a.m. Break and Exhibits

SESSION 2: Impending Abdominal Catastrophes
10:00 a.m. Leaks, etiology, diagnosis operative and non-operative management, damage control laparotomy for acute compartment syndrome - J. K. Champion, MD
10:30 a.m. Post-op bleeds, intra-luminal and intra-abdominal - Ninh T. Nguyen, MD
11:00 a.m. Small bowel obstruction, internal hernias, closed loop obstruction and ischemic bowel after bariatric surgery – recognition and management - Kelvin Higa, MD; Daniel Herron, MD
11:45 a.m. Management of Sepsis and ARDS in the ICU in morbidly obese patients: Practical Pearls - Mary Reed, MD
12:15 p.m. Lunch and Exhibits

Mock Patient Case Studies
1:45 p.m. Acute PE / Respiratory failure
2:15 p.m. Post-op leaks and sepsis (gastro-jejunostomy, distal stomach, etrero-enterostomy)
2:45 p.m. Post-op bowel obstructions (closed loop, internal hernias, biliary limb obstruction)
3:15 p.m. Break and Exhibits
3:45 p.m. Post-op obstructions continued
4:15 p.m. Post-op bleeding (intra-luminal and intra-abdominal)
4:45 p.m. Evaluation and certification
5:15 p.m. Adjourn
Masters’ Postgraduate Course

Wednesday, June 28 – 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Course Directors: John W. Baker, MD and T. Karl Byrne, MD

(by May 29) Members $275.00 - Non-Members $375.00
(after May 29) Members $375.00 - Non-Members $425.00

Course Overview and Target Audience:
This full day course is designed to educate bariatric surgeons in the areas of charting, documentation, and communications in an effort to help reduce the liability and exposure of their practice. In this course you will learn from industry experts, jury consultants and lawyers who have been in the courtroom is essential to reducing frequency and severity, while keeping in mind that jurors are patients too. Poor communications and service lapses drive-up verdicts and settlements. It is perhaps now more important than ever to implement a five-star service culture in the healthcare industry. Hospitals’ and physicians’ practices throughout the country have begun to recognize the importance of service excellence. By understanding these perspectives, we can prevent cases in the first place, control them better when they do occur, settle them when necessary, and put in place certain safeguards so the out of control verdict does not happen in the courtroom. As we do this, we begin to change the liability equation (Up to 7.0 CME credits available)

Objectives:
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:

1. Explain what causes the frequency and severity of claims;
2. Recognize strategies for creating a service excellence culture & how it impacts claims;
3. Describe how to incorporate Communication Plus;
4. Describe the recipe to success in moving towards a five-star culture;
5. Explain what makes jurors identify with a patient; what makes them punish a surgeon; what makes them forgive a surgeon;
6. Recognize what information a plaintiff attorney uses to determine whether to take on a case;
7. Explain a defense lawyers’ perspective, getting ahead and using a more aggressive defense;
8. Recognize the mechanical and product limitations of the medical devices in use today and how they apply to your clinical practice.

Course Outline:

7:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
7:50 a.m. Introduction
8:00 a.m. “Developing a Loss Control Culture- You Can Actually Change the Liability Equation.” - James Saxton, Esq.
9:45 a.m. Break
10:00 a.m. Bariatric Surgery: What the Plaintiff’s Lawyers Think, the Defense Lawyers and Most Importantly the Jurors!
• Learn how plaintiffs are going to push for verdicts even higher;
• What plaintiffs and defendants must accomplish in front of the jury;
• Technology in the courtroom, both offensively and defensively;
• Using the right resources on the right cases;
• How to reduce severity before you even get into the courtroom;
• Why jurors punish or forgive defendants.
James Saxton, Esq. - Stevens and Lee; Phil H. Corboy, Jr., Esq. - Corboy & Demetrio, P.C.
Andrew Sheldon, J.D., Ph.D. (President and Senior Trial consultant) - SheldonSinrich
11:30 a.m. Questions and Comments
12:00 a.m. Lunch
1:30 p.m. Endoscopic stapling biomechanics - Randal S. Baker, MD, FACS
2:15 p.m. Master’s Lecture on Product Liability - Anthony Vale, Esq. - Pepper Hamilton, LLP
3:00 p.m. Break
3:15 p.m. Panel Discussions: Controversies
(Audience Participation Encouraged)
Risk stratification and outcomes reporting
Cherry-picking cases
Who should do revisions? What are the risks?
When to refer complications? Should you accept the complication?
Centers of Excellence
Pediatric age group
Off label intervention –
Scott Shikora, MD; Giselle Hamad, MD; Eric DeMaria, MD; John W. Baker, MD; Randal S. Baker; T. Karl Byrne, MD; Sayeed Ikramuddin, MD; Bruce Schirmer, MD, John Price, MD
5:00 p.m. Adjourn
**ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES GENERAL SESSION**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

This course covers a variety of topics related to the pre- and post-op care of the bariatric surgery patient and although it is designed with the allied health care professional in mind, it serves as an update in management practice for the physician. (Up to 6.25 CEU credits available.)

(by May 26) Members $190 - Non-Members $290  
(after May 26) Members $240 - Non-Members-$340

**OBJECTIVES:**
Upon completion of this course, participants should be able to:
1. Recognize symptoms of gastric prolapse in Lap Band patients and discuss outcomes after surgical revision;
2. List potential micronutrient/nutritional deficiencies in pre- and post-operative bariatric surgery patients and discuss treatment options;
3. Identify impact of healthcare professional sensitivity training, environmental preparation and music & relaxation on staff and patient satisfaction;
4. Discuss impact of support groups, compulsive eating, stage of readiness and patient compliance on bariatric surgery outcomes;
5. Describe national outcomes for adolescent bariatric surgery and identify the role of support groups in this population;
6. Recognize the impact of bariatric surgery on metabolic syndrome and energy expenditure;
7. Identify signs and symptoms of sleep disturbances in the bariatric surgery patient and discuss the utilization of auto-titrating c-pap protocols.

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8:00 a.m.  **WELCOME & INTRODUCTION - Jill Meador, RN, BSN, Program Chair**

8:05 a.m.  **SESSION ONE**  
**Moderator: Karen Schultz**

8:05 a.m.  **1. SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF GASTRIC BYPASS IN PATIENTS 65 YEARS AND OLDER.**  
RoseMarie Toussaint, MD, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

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8:15 a.m.  **2. UNREALISTIC WEIGHT LOSS EXPECTATIONS IN CANDIDATES FOR BARIATRIC SURGERY.**  
Perry Katy PhD, Susan Orellana BA, Curtis Takagishi, PhD, Lisa Koche, MD, Michel Murr, MD

8:25 a.m.  **3. A MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACH TO CARE DECREASES THE INCIDENCE OF PRESSURE ULCERS IN BARIATRIC SURGERY PATIENTS**  
Jolie Blankenship, RN, CWOCN, Jill Meador RN, BSN, James W. Maher, MD, John M. Kellum, MD, Katie Hudson, RN, CWOCN, Luke Wolfe, MS
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Continued

8:35 a.m.  4. EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGISTS IMPACT PATIENTS EXERCISE HABITS AND PERCENT EXCESS WEIGHT LOSS. Arrin C Fleck, NSCA-CPT, Melissa Davis, RN, MSN CNS, Jennefer Kieran, MD, Robin Blackstone, MD, FACS

8:45 a.m.  5. ATTAINMENT OF A MINIMAL LEVEL OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (PA) ENHANCES PHYSICAL AND MENTAL QUALITY OF LIFE (QOL) IMPROVEMENTS AMONG FEMALE GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY (GBS) PATIENTS. Dale S Bond, PhD, Ronald K Evans, PhD, Luke G Wolfe, MS, Jill G. Meador, RN, Maher W James, MD, Kellum M John, MD

8:55 a.m.  QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

9:10 a.m.  RN Bariatric Certification

9:30 a.m.  Break and Exhibits

SESSION TWO

Moderator: Teresa Leath, RN

9:45 a.m.  6. IMPACT OF INSURANCE COVERAGE ON BARIATRIC SURGERY CASE VOLUME AND SELF-PAY VOLUME IN SOUTH FLORIDA. Cristina Sori, CPT, Jorge I Sosa, MD

9:55 a.m.  7. PROCESS IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH INCREASED PATIENT PARTICIPATION IN FOLLOW-UP CARE. Rebecca D Anderson, PhD, Therese Meyer-Cox, PhD

10:15 a.m.  8. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL BARIATRIC SURGERY PREGNANCY REGISTRY (NBSPR). Daniel T Dempsey, MD, Victoria Frain, CPT, Jorge I Sosa, MD

10:25 a.m.  QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

10:40 a.m.  ASBS Distinguished Guest Speaker

11:10 a.m.  QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

11:20 a.m.  Lunch and Exhibits

SESSION THREE

Moderator: Bobbie Lou Price, RN, BSN

1:30 p.m.  9. LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS AND LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING PATIENTS HAVE TASTE CHANGES AND FOOD AVERSION POSTOPERATIVELY. David S Tichansky, MD, Raymond J Taddeucci, MD, Anul K Madan, MD

1:40 p.m.  10. LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING: CAN IT BE DONE SAFELY IN AN OUTPATIENT SETTING? Dorothy R Ferraro, MS, CS, AN, Staci Stone, RD, CDN, Daniel G Davis, DO, Amna Daud, MD, MPH, Marc Bessler, MD

1:50 p.m.  11. CHANGES IN QUALITY OF LIFE AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS. Donna Marin, RN, J. Chris Eagon, MD

2:00 p.m.  12. ETHNIC DIFFERENCES IN PSYCHOSOCIAL RESPONSE TO MORBID OBESITY AMONG AFRICAN AMERICAN AND CAUCASIAN FEMALES. Heidi Cherwony PsyD, Robert T Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

2:10 p.m.  13. PSYCHOSOCIAL CORRELATES OF WEIGHT LOSS IN BARIATRIC SURGERY. Donna Marin, RN, Juan Perrone, MD, J Chris Eagon, MD

2:20 p.m.  QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

SESSION FOUR

Moderator: Linda Aills, RD

2:35 p.m.  14. RESTING METABOLIC RATE SHOWS SIGNIFICANT DECREASE IN POSTOPERATIVE GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS AND IS BEST MEASURED BY INDIRECT CALORIMETRY. Heather L Gustafson, RD, Andrea D Lola, RD, Christopher J Larson, PA-C, RD, Michelle AMathiason, MS, Pamela J Lambert, RN, Shanu N Kothari, MD

2:45 p.m.  15. ZINC AND SELENIUM DEFICIENCY AFTER WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY. Meredith Urban-Skuro MS, RD, Amna Daud, MD, MPH, Mary F Digiorgi, MPH, Nancy Restuccia, MS, RD, William B Inabnet, MD, Beth Schrope, MD, Marc Bessler, MD

2:55 p.m.  16. IMPLICATION OF METABOLIC EFFICIENCY FOR WEIGHT LOSS AND MAINTENANCE IN A CLINICAL SETTING. Debbie L Daley, MS, Justine C. Strauss, EP, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

3:05 p.m.  17. INCREASED RISK OF SECONDARY HYPERPARATHYROIDISM IN AFRICAN AMERICAN AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY. Christian R Ketel, NP, MSN, Jennifer G. Ginnings, RN, Yassar K Youssef, MD, Nikhilnesh R Sekhar, MD, Joan I Kaiser, RN, MSN, William O Richards, MD, Alfonso Torquati, MD, MSCI

3:15 p.m.  QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

3:30 p.m.  Break and Exhibits

3:45 p.m.  Allied Health Sciences Business Meeting

4:30 p.m.  Adjourn
COURSE OVERVIEW AND TARGET AUDIENCE:
The course is designed to provide an overview of the laparoscopic surgical approach to the management of morbid obesity. This is a hands-on lab using fresh cadavers to demonstrate the most commonly used techniques in laparoscopic bariatric surgery. Case studies and discussion will also be included.

This is a course for surgeons familiar with the fundamentals of bariatric surgery and experienced in advanced, minimally invasive techniques.

(Up to 4.0 CME credits available)

OBJECTIVES
Upon completion of this activity participants should be able to:
1. Describe the indications and contraindications of laparoscopic bariatric surgery;
2. Recognize obstacles encountered in laparoscopic bariatric surgery and discuss treatment options available;
3. State differences in instrumentation available; including visualization, stapling options, and robotics;
4. Validate that laparoscopic bariatric surgery is a change in access from conventional operations, but the principles of bariatric surgery remain unchanged;
5. Practice the basic steps of a laparoscopic gastric bypass in a cadaver lab.

STUDENTS/RESIDENTS/FELLOWS SESSION

1:00 p.m. 1. TOTALLY ROBOTIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS: WHEN TO CONVERT, LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE FIRST 75 PATIENTS. Ramzi S Alami, MD, Barry R Sanchez, MD, Geoff S Nadzam, MD, Catherine J Mohr, MS, Myriam J Curet, MD

1:20 p.m. 2. BAND VS. BYPASS: INFLUENCE OF AN EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR AND THE SURGEON VISIT ON PATIENT PREFERENCE. Raymond J Taddeucci, MD, Atul K Madan, MD, Whitney S Orth, MS, RD, David S Tichansky, MD

1:40 p.m. 3. PERI-OPERATIVE TIGHT GLYCEMIC CONTROL: THE CHALLENGE OF BARIATRIC SURGERY PATIENTS AND THE FEAR OF HYPOGLYCEMIC EVENTS. Bellal Joseph, MD, Ilan Rubinfeld, MD, Jeff Genaw, MD, Art Carlin, MD, Jean Talley, RN, Jack Jordan, Wanda Szymanski, RN, H M Horst, MD, Mary-Margaret Brandt, MD, William Conway, MD, Scott Dulchavsky, MD, PHD

2:00 p.m. 4. CALCIUM, PARATHORMONE, AND VITAMIN-D ABNORMALITIES AMONG ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS. Kumuda R Pradhan, MD, Christopher J Larson, PA-C, RD, Michelle A Mathiasson, MS, Pamela J Lambert, RN, Matthew T Baker, MD, Shau N Kohtari, MD

2:20 p.m. Break and Exhibits

3:40 p.m. 6. SELECTIVE USE OF UPPER GASTROESOPHAGEAL IMAGING AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS IS SAFE. Stephen White, MD, Soo Hwa Han, MD, William Bertucci, MD, Kevin Patel, MD, Brad McEvoy, MS, Douglas Russell, BA, Barbara Kadell, MD, Carlos Gracia, MD, Erik Dutson, MD, Amir Mehran, MD

4:00 p.m. 7. SELECTIVE, VERSUS ROUTINE, UPPER G.I. SERIES LEADS TO EQUAL MORBIDITY AND REDUCED HOSPITAL STAY IN LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS. Sophia D Lee, MD, Magued N Khouzam, MD, John M Kellum, MD, Eric J DeMaria, MD, Luke G Wolfe, MS, James W Maher, MD

4:20 p.m. 8. NOVEL PREDICTORS OF NASH IN OBESE PATIENTS UNDERGOING BARIATRIC SURGERY. Brandon Williams, MD, Judith H Hagedorn, BS, Ramzi S Alami, MD, Elise H Lawson, BS, Betsy E Encarnacion, BS, Rob Schuster, MD, Myriam J Curet, MD, John M Morton, MD, MPH

4:40 p.m. 9. OUR FIRST 100 LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDS: AN AMERICAN EXPERIENCE. Cory J Vatsasas, BBMEn, Guilford Hartley, MD, Howard M. Lederer, MD

5:00 p.m. Adjourn
This session incorporates participants’ oral papers with discussion from the floor, invited lectureships, basic science reviews and distinguished guest lectureships covering the wide range of disciplines involved in bariatric surgery. (Up to 16.75 CME credits available.)

(by May 26)  Members $400 - Non-Members $500  
(after May 26)  Members $450 - Non-Members $550

(by May 26)  Student-Members $200 - Student Non-Members $300  
(after May 26)  Student-Members $250 - Student Non-Members $350

OBJECTIVES:
1. Identify the challenges age extremes present in the treatment of the morbidly obese;
2. Discuss the various risk factors associated with bariatric surgery and compare methods for risk reduction;
3. Assess comorbidities and their impact on patient selection;
4. Describe the various methods of banding procedures including placement and removal;
5. Identify common peri-operative and post-operative conditions;
6. Recognize the benefit of bariatric surgery on other metabolic conditions;
7. Discuss current research studies in providing new methods and techniques to improve the overall care of the morbidly obese patient;
8. Discuss the challenges of weight gain post-bariatric surgery and the relative revision surgery options.

PLENARY SESSION

PLENARY OUTLINE:

Thursday, June 29, 2006
8:00 a.m.  Session One - Risk Assessment
9:15 a.m.  Edward E. Mason Founders Lecture: Ross Brechner, MD
10:00 a.m. Break and Exhibits
10:30 a.m. Session Two - Extremes Of Age
12:00 p.m. Lunch and Exhibits
2:00 p.m. Session Three - Risk & Risk Reduction (Concurrent with Video Session)
2:00 p.m. Video Session (Concurrent with Session Three)
4:00 p.m. Break
4:30 p.m. Poster Session

Friday, June 30, 2006
8:00 a.m.  Session Four - Procedure Selection & Co-morbidities
10:00 a.m. Break and Exhibits
10:30 a.m. Session Five - Procedure Selection & Co-morbidities continued
          (Concurrent with Session Six)
10:30 a.m. Session Six - Endoluminal (Concurrent with Session Five)
12:00 p.m. Lunch and Exhibits
2:00 p.m. Session Seven - Metabolic & Biliary Controversies
3:00 p.m. ASBS Presidential Address: Neil Hutcher, MD
3:45 p.m. Break
4:00 p.m. ASBS Business Meeting
5:30 p.m. Adjourn

Saturday, July 1, 2006
8:00 a.m.  Session Eight - Basic Science
9:00 a.m.  Awards Session
9:15 a.m.  Basic Science Lecture: Mary Dallman, PhD
10:00 a.m. Break
10:30 a.m. Session Nine - Perioperative Issues (Concurrent with Session Ten)
10:30 a.m. Session Ten - Failed Weight Loss/Revisional Surgery
          (Concurrent with Session Nine)
1:00 p.m. Adjourn
PLENARY SESSION

THURSDAY, JUNE 29
SESSION ONE (8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.)
RISK ASSESSMENT

8:00 a.m.  1. THE NATURAL HISTORY OF MORBID OBESITY WITHOUT SURGICAL INTERVENTION*. Oluwatu A Owemimo, MD, Jessic Moore, APRN, Rebecca Ross MD, John Courtney MPH, Ursula McMillian, MD, Miriam Huang, MD, Peter Ojo, MD, Randolph B. Reinhold, MD

8:15 a.m.  2. THE OBESITY SURGERY MORTALITY RISK SCORE (OS-MRS): PROPOSAL FOR A CLINICALLY USEFUL SCORE TO PREDICT MORTALITY RISK IN PATIENTS UNDERGOING GASTRIC BYPASS. Dana D Portenier, MD, Luke GWolfe, MS, Eric J DeMaria, MD

8:30 a.m.  3. DEVELOPMENT OF A BARIATRIC SURGERY-SPECIFIC RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL. Edward H Livingston, MD

8:45 a.m.  4. MEDICAL-LEGAL ANALYSIS OF 100 MALPRACTICE CLAIMS AGAINST BARIATRIC SURGEONS. Jeff Lord, MD, Daniel Cottam, MD, Bruce Wolf MD, Kelvin Higa, MD, Philip Schauer, MD

9:00 a.m.  5. THE SRC CONSORTIUM: A COALITION FOR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT. Walter J Pories, MD, Gary MP Pratt, BS

9:15 a.m.  EDWARD E. MASON FOUNDERS LECTURE
Ross Brechner, MD

10:00 a.m. BREAK AND EXHIBITS

SESSION TWO (10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.)
EXTREMES OF AGE

10:30 a.m.  6. OUTCOMES AMONG ELDERLY BARIATRIC PATIENTS AT A HIGH VOLUME CENTER*. Stephanie E Dunkle-Blatter, MD, Michael R St. Jean, MD, FACS, Anthony T Petrick, MD, FACS, Carly Whitehead, William Strodel, MD, Peter Bennotti, MD, Christopher Still, MD, Mary Jane Reed, MD

10:45 a.m.  7. LOW MORTALITY IN A HIGH-RISK MEDICARE POPULATION UNDERGOING BARIATRIC SURGERY: A LARGE, SINGLE CENTER EXPERIENCE. David A Provost, MD, Joshua Langert, John HRogers MPH, Sergio Huerta, MD, Edward H Livingston, MD

11:00 a.m.  8. LAPAROSCOPIC BARIATRIC SURGERY IS SAFE FOR PATIENTS OLDER THAN 60 YEARS. David Hazzan, MD, Edward H Chin, MD, Emily Steinhagen BA, Subhash Kini, MD, Daniel M Herron, MD

11:15 a.m.  9. BARIATRIC SURGERY IN ADOLESCENTS: A LONG TERM FOLLOW-UP STUDY. Francesco S Papadia, MD, Giuseppe M Marinari, MD, Gianfranco Adami, MD, Giovanni Camerini, MD, Nicola Scopinaro, MD

11:30 a.m.  10. BARIATRIC SURGERY IN ADOLESCENTS IS SAFE AND EFFECTIVE. Ricardo V Cohen, MD, Jose SPinheiro, MD, Jose LCorrea MD, Carlos A Schiavon, MD

11:45 a.m.  11. PREFERENTIAL LOSS OF CENTRAL ADIPOSITY IN ADOLESCENTS AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS: A REPORT FROM THE PEDIATRIC BARIATRIC STUDY GROUP. Thomas H Inge, MD, PhD, Shelley Kirk, PhD, Kimberly Wilson MS, Victor F Garcia, MD, Stephen R Daniels, MD, PhD

12:00 p.m. LUNCH AND EXHIBITS

SESSION THREE (2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.)
RISK AND RISK REDUCTION
CONCURRENT WITH VIDEO SESSION

2:00 p.m.  12. THE INFLUENCE OF A LAPAROSCOPIC APPROACH FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS ON SURGICAL OUTCOMES AT A UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL DURING THE PAST DECADE. Sang K Lee, MD, Janet Dix, PA-C, Michael S Miller, Anna D Miller, RN, C. Joe Northup, MD, Bruce D Schirmer, MD

2:15 p.m.  13. SUBCUTANEOUS MARCAINE* PAIN PUMPS CAN ELIMINATE PCA USE, REDUCE HOSPITAL COSTS AND NARCOTIC USAGE WHILE PROVIDING SIMILAR PAIN RELIEF TO IV PCA. Daniel R Cottam, MD, Barry Fisher, MD, Jim Atkinson MD, Dan Link, MD, Peter Volk, MD, Cliff Friesen, MD

2:30 p.m.  14. SAFETY AND Efficacy OF RETRIEVABLE VENA CAVA FILTERS IN BARIATRIC SURGERY. Denis Halmi, MD, Evgeni Kolesnikov, MD, PhD

2:45 p.m.  15. INFERNOR VENA CAVA FILTER PLACEMENT FOR PULMONARY EMBOLISM RISK REDUCTION IN THE SUPER MORBIDLY OBESNE UNDERGOING BARIATRIC SURGERY*. Christa M Trigilio-Black, PAC, Chad D Ringley, MD, Corrigan L McBride, MD, Victor J Sorensen, MD, Jon S Thompson, MD, Italklis I Pipinos, MD, Jason M Johannning, MD

3:00 p.m.  16. IS THERE A BENEFIT TO PRE-OPERATIVE WEIGHT LOSS IN GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS?: A PROSPECTIVE RANDOMIZED TRIAL*. Ramzi S Alami, MD, John M Morton, MD/MPH, Barry R Sanchez MD, Robert Schuster, MD, Anna Peters, FNP, Myriam J Curet, MD

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3:15 p.m. 17. UTILIZATION OF THE INTRAGASTRIC BALLOON (BIB) IN PRE-OPERATIVE PREPARATION FOR SUPER OBESE PATIENTS WITH HIGH SURGICAL RISK. Jose Afonso, AS Sallet, MD, Carlos Eduardo Pizani, MD, Fabio Luiz FB Bonaldi MD, Paulo Clemente, PS Sallet, MD

3:30 p.m. 18. NSQIP AND BARIATRIC SURGERY: RISK FACTORS FOR BARIATRIC SURGICAL OUTCOMES. Edward H Livingston, MD, David Arterburn, MD, Tracy L Schifffner, MS, William G Henderson, PhD, Ralph G DePalma, MD

3:45 p.m. 19. OBESITY SURGERY 30-DAY OPERATIVE MORTALITY. Edward E Mason, MD, PhD, Yu-Hui Huang, MS, Kathleen E Renquist BS, Neal Kohatsu, MD, MPH

4:00 p.m. BREAK

VIDEO SESSION (2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.) CONCURRENT WITH SESSION THREE

2:00 p.m. v1. LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS FOLLOWING KIDNEY PANCREAS TRANSPLANTATION. Carol A McClooskey, MD and Ramesh C Ramanathan, MD

2:13 p.m. v2. LAPAROSCOPIC-THORACOSCOPIC IVOR-LEWIS ESOPHAGECTOMY AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS. Ninh T Nguyen, MD, FACS, Cam-Ly P Tran, MD, Allen Sabio, BS, Peter Lin, MD, Esteben Varela, MD

2:26 p.m. v3. ADVENTURES IN LAP BAND SURGERY: ‘THE TROUBLESOME SLIP’. Nicholas A Bertha, DO, Steve Ugras, MD, Alexander Abkin, MD

2:39 p.m. v4. BASKET BAND: A NEW ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING DEVELOPED TO AVOID PROXIMAL GASTRIC POUCH DILATATION. PRELIMINARY SERIES. Antonio Catona, MD, Giovanni Morone, MD, Rubina Ruggiiero, MD, Luigi LaManna, MD, Antonio Parziale, MD, Bardh Spahia, MD, Francesco Luzzana, MD, Cristina Sampiero

2:52 p.m. v5. LAPAROSCOPIC BANDED ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS. Andrew A Gumbs, MD and Marc Bessler, MD

3:05 p.m. v6. LAPAROSCOPIC REVISION TECHNIQUE FROM LAP-BAND TO GASTRIC BYPASS WITH DISTAL ESOPHAGOPLASTY. Hadar Spivak, MD and Oscar R Betran, MD

3:18 p.m. v7. LAPAROSCOPIC PLACEMENT OF AN ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BAND FOR DILATED Gastrojejunostomy AFTER ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS (RYGBP). Ruth O'Mahony, MD, Samuel Szomstein, MD, Raul J. Rosenthal, MD

3:31 p.m. v8. LAPAROSCOPIC MANAGEMENT OF PERFORATED MARGINAL ULCER AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC ROUXENYGASTRIC BYPASS. Michael R St.Jean, MD, FACS, Stephanie Dunkle-Blatter, MD, Anthony T Petrick, MD, FACS, FS

3:44 p.m. v9. ADVANCED ENDOSCOPIC TECHNIQUES IN THE POST-BYPASS PATIENT: LEAKS AND FISTULA. Christopher C Thompson, MD, MHES, James Slattery, RN, Malcolm K Robinson, MD, David B Lautz, MD

POSTER SESSION
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FRIDAY, JUNE 30
SESSION FOUR (8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.)
PROCEDURE SELECTION & CO-MORBIDITIES

8:00 a.m. 20. LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING VERSUS LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS: 5 YEARS RESULTS OF A PROSPECTIVE RANDOMIZED TRIAL. Luigi Angrisani, MD, Michele Lorenzo, PhD, Vincenzo Borrelli, MD, Monica Giuffra, BSc, Francesco Persico, MD, Carmine Fonderico, MD, Giuseppe Capece, MD, Carlo P De Angelis, MD, Monica Cianelli, MD

8:15 a.m. 21. COMPARATIVE STUDY BETWEEN LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING AND LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS. SINGLE-INSTITUTION FIVE YEAR EXPERIENCE IN BARIATRIC SURGERY*. Sergio J Bardaro, MD, Dennis Hong, MD, Jay Jan, MD, Laura Jul MD, MBBS, Mannish Parikh, MD

8:30 a.m. 22. THREE-YEAR FOLLOW-UP OF LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING FOR PATIENTS WITH A BODY MASS INDEX < 35 KG/M2. George A. Fielding, FRACS, Jennifer E. Duncombe, MMBS, Mannish Parikh, MD

8:45 a.m. 23. THE INCIDENCE AND SEVERITY OF LIVER DISEASE IN MORBIDLY OBESE PATIENTS UNDERGOING GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY. Neil E Hutch, MD, Louis G Gelrud, MD, David Capuzzi, MD, Glenn Parker

9:00 a.m. 24. THE EVOLUTION OF SEVERE STEATOSIS AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY IS RELATED TO INSULIN RESISTANCE*. Laurent Arnalsteen, Philippe Mathurin, Florent Gonzalez, Olivier Kerdraon, Emmanuelle Leteurtre, Thomas Jany, Sebastien Dharancy, Monique Romon, Francois Pattou

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<td>IMPROVED METABOLIC PARAMETERS, BUT NO CHANGE IN CARDIAC FUNCTION, AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY*. Joshua G Leichman, MD, David Aguilar, MD, Snehal Mehta MD, Heinrich Taegtmeyer, MD, D Phil, Terry K Scarborough, MD, Erik B Wilson, MD</td>
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<td>THE IMPACT OF BARIATRIC SURGERY ON CARDIOVASCULAR MORBIDITY/ THE IMPACT OF BARIATRIC SURGERY ON MUSKULOSKELETAL MORBIDITY. Nicolas V Christou, MD PhD, John S Sampalis, PhD</td>
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<td>SEVERITY OF DEPRESSION AS A PREDICTOR OF SURGICAL OUTCOMES: THE IMPACT OF GENDER AS A MODERATOR. Jeffrey J. Lauzon, MA, LPC, A, Daniel le Grange, PhD</td>
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<td>RACIAL VARIATIONS IN FAT METABOLISM MAY AFFECT THE SUCCESS OF DIETS AND BARIATRIC SURGERY. John R Pender, MD, Hisham A Barakat, PhD, Kenneth G MacDonald MD, William H Chapman, MD, Lynis Dohm, PhD, Paul S MacLean, PhD, Robert C Hickner, PhD, Walter J Pories, MD</td>
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<td>A COMPARISON OF OUTCOMES AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING IN AFRICAN-AMERICANS AND CAUCASIANS. Manish S Parikh, MD, Helen G Lo, BA, Christopher C Chang BS, Dinee W Collings, BA, George A Fielding, MD, Christine J Ren, MD</td>
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<td>THE USE OF POLYFLEX STENTS IN THE TREATMENT OF ESOPHAGEAL AND GASTRIC LEAKS AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY. Jeraldine Orlina, MD, Royd Fukushima, MD, James McGinty, MD, Julio Teixeira, MD</td>
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<td>ANASTOMOTIC STENOSIS FOLLOWING ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS: A RATIONAL APPROACH TO TREATMENT. Daniel E Swartz, MD, Victor Gonzalez, MD, Edward L Felix MD</td>
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<td>THE EFFECT OF GASTRIC BYPASS (GBP) ON VITAMIN D NUTRITIONAL STATUS (VDN). Arthur M Carlin, MD, D. Sudhaker Rao, MB, BS, FA, Kelli M Yager MS, MPH, Jeffrey A Genaw, MD, Nayana Parikh, BSc</td>
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<td>MARKERS OF BONE AND CALCIUM METABOLISM AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SUPPLEMENTATION FOLLOWING GASTRIC BYPASS AND LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING. Mary F DiGiorgi, MPH, Amna Daud, MD MPH, William B Inabnet MD, Beth Schrope, MD PhD, Meredith Urban-Skuro, MS RD, Nancy Restuccia, MS RD, Marc Bessler, MD</td>
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2:30 p.m. 42. EXPECTANT MANAGEMENT OF THE ASYMPTOMATIC GALLBLADDER AT THE TIME OF ROUX EN Y GASTRIC BYPASS (RYGB). Dana D Portenier, MD, John P Grant, MD, Hilary S Blackwood RN, MSN, A, Aurora D Pryor, MD, Ross L McMahon, MD, Eric J DeMaria, MD

2:45 p.m. 43. ROUTINE CHOLECYSTECTOMY IS NOT MANDATORY DURING SURGERY FOR THE MORBIDLY OBESE. Scott J. Ellner, D.O., Tamara Myers, B.S., Jeannine Giovanni, MD, Carlos A. Barba, MD

3:00 p.m. ASBS PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
Neil Hutcher, MD

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SATURDAY, JULY 1
SESSION EIGHT (8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.)
BASIC SCIENCE

8:00 a.m. 44. PERFORMANCE ON A CADAVERIC PORCINE LAPAROSCOPIC JEJUNO-JEJUNOSTOMY MODEL ENABLES ACCURATE EVALUATION OF TECHNICAL SKILLS IN THE OPERATING ROOM. Camilo Boza, MD, Rajesh Aggarwal, MD, Alex Escalona, MD, Philip Bellilio, MD, Nicolas Devaud, Ara Darzi, MD, Luis Ibanez, MD

8:10 a.m. 45. A COMPARISON OF THE EFFECTS OF GASTRIC BYPASS (GB) AND THE BILIOPANCREATIC DIVERSION WITH THE DUODENAL SWITCH (BPD/DS) ON BODY COMPOSITION 1 TO 2 YEARS AFTER SURGERY. Gladys Wit Strain, PhD, Michel Gagner, MD, Alfons Pomp MD, William B Inabnet, MD

8:20 a.m. 46. VAGAL BLOCKING FOR OBESITY CONTROL (VBLOC): STUDIES OF PANCREATIC AND GASTRIC FUNCTION AND SAFETY IN A PORCINE MODEL. Katherine S Twedden, PhD, Michael G Sarr, MD, Michael Camilleri, MD, Michael L Kendrick, MD, Frank G Moody, MD, Michael D Bierk, DVM, Mark B Knudson, PhD, Richard R Wilson, MD, Mehran Anvari, MD, PhD

8:30 a.m. 47. LAPAROSCOPIC SLEEVE GASTRECTOMY IN A PORCINE MODEL: PRELIMINARY STUDY OF GASTRIC WRAPPING USING PTFE DUAL MESH TOPREVENT GASTRIC ENLARGEMENT. Kazuki Ueda, MD, Michel Gagner, MD, FACS, Luca Milone MD, Sergio J Bardaro, MD

8:40 a.m. 48. BURST STRENGTH EXPERIMENTAL TEST OF STAPLE LINE SUTURES WITH AND WITHOUT SURGISIS. Jose S Pinheiro, MD, Ricardo V Cohen, MD, Jose L Correa, MD, Carlos A Schiavon, MD

PLENARY SESSION

8:50 a.m. 49. DOWNREGULATION OF MACROPHAGE MIGRATION INHIBITORY FACTOR (MIF) BY INSULIN DURING THE STEADY STATE PLASMA GLUCOSE TEST, NEW INSIGHTS IN MIF REGULATION. Jeroen Nijhuis, MD, Francois Mvan Dielen, MD, Wim ABuurman PhD, Jan Willem M Greve, MD, PhD

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9:15 a.m. BASIC SCIENCE LECTURE
Mary Dallman, PhD

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PERIOPERATIVE ISSUES
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10:30 a.m. 50. PREVALENCE OF HELICOBACTER PYLORI INFECTION AMONG PATIENTS UNDERGOING BARIATRIC SURGERY. Ruth OMahony, MD, Tolga Erim, MD, Samuel Szomstein MD, Raul Rosenthal, MD

10:45 a.m. 51. IMPROVEMENT OF CLINICAL OUTCOMES FOR LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BANDING PATIENTS BY USING THE INSUFLOW® PRE-CONDITIONING GAS DEVICE FOR THE PNEUMOPERITONEUM. Richard A Benavides, MD, Robert Powell, MD, Alvin Wong MD, Hoang Nguyen, MD

11:00 a.m. 52. DOES EPIDURAL ANESTHESIA HAVE AN INFLUENCE ON POSTOPERATIVE RECOVERY AND LUNG FUNCTION AFTER VARIOUS BARIATRIC OPERATIONS. Hermann Nehoda, MD, PhD, Barbara Erne, MD, Monika Lanthaler MD, Franz Aigner, MD

11:15 a.m. 53. VERTICAL BANDED GASTROPLASTY VS. ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING: A PROSPECTIVE LONG-TERM FOLLOW UP STUDY. Karl A Miller, MD, Emanuel Hell, MD, Antonia Pump MD

11:30 a.m. 54. A TECHNIQUE FOR PREVENTING PORT SITE COMPLICATIONS IN LAPAROSCOPIC ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BANDING. Scott J Ellner, DO, Syed Ali, MD, Jeannine Giovanni, MD, Carlos A Barba, MD

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11:45 a.m. 55. INTRABAND MANOMETRY FOR BAND ADJUSTMENT: CONCEPTS, LIMITS AND PERSPECTIVES. Wolfgang Lechner, Michael Gadenstotter, Ruxandra Ciovica, Werner Kirchmayr, Gerhard Schwab

12:00 p.m. 56. THE USE OF BIOABSORBABLE STAPLE REINFORCEMENT MATERIAL IN GASTRIC BYPASS: A PROSPECTIVE RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL. Karl A Miller, MD, Antonia Pump, MD, Peter Herbst, MD

12:15 p.m. 57. ANTECOLIC VERSUS RETROCOLIC ALIMENTARY LIMB IN ROUX-EN-Y LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS: COMPARATIVE STUDY. Alex Escalona, MD, Nicolas Devaud, MD, Gustavo Perez, MD, Fernando Crovari, MD, Luis Ibez, MD

12:30 p.m. 58. FACTOR Xa LEVELS DO NOT APPEAR TO CORRELATE WITH RISK OF BLEEDING IN PATIENTS RECEIVING LOW MOLECULAR WEIGHT HEPARIN (LMWH) FOR DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS (DVT) PROPHYLAXIS FOLLOWING ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS. John T Paige, MD, Vonda Gaitor-Stampley, NP, Biswanath P Gouda, MD, MPH, P Gre Scalia, MD, Teresa E Klainer, MD, William J Raum, MD, Louis F Martin, MD

12:45 p.m. 59. POST DISCHARGE PROPHYLACTIC ANTICOAGULATION IN GASTRIC BYPASS PATIENTS - HOW SAFE. Peter B. Ojo, MD, Bolanle Asiyianbola, MD, Geoffrey Nadzam, MD, FACS, Denise Barajas, MD, FACS, Steve Yood, MD, FACS, Elmer Valin, MD, FACS, Randolph Reinhold, MD, FACS

1:00 p.m. ADJOURN

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P1. ASSESSMENTS OF RELATIONSHIP SATISFACTION AND STABILITY ONE YEAR AFTER WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY (WLS): A PROSPECTIVE STUDY. Katherine L Applegate, PhD, Kelli E Friedman, PhD, John P Grant, MD


P3. WALK TEST FOR SUPER OBESE ADOLESCENTS BEFORE AND AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY. Randal Claytor, PhD, Thomas Inge, MD, PhD, Stephen Daniels, MD, PhD

P4. THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF SPIRITUAL STRENGTHS ON THE PSYCHOSOCIAL STATUS OF BARIATRIC PATIENTS. Mike Warthen, MDiv, Robert T. Marema, MD, Heidi Cherwony, PsyD

P5. ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS IN THE MOST SEVERELY OBSESE PATIENTS: SAFETY AND EFFICACY IN PATIENTS WEIGHING 400 LBS OR MORE. Edward L Felix, MD, Victor Gonzalez, MD, Daniel E Swartz, MD

P6. PSYCHOLOGICAL CONCERNS FOR MALES SEEKING BARIATRIC SURGERY. Heidi Cherwony, PsyD, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

P7. OBESITY, PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE. Edward H Livingston, MD

P8. 5 YEAR EXPERIENCE WITH GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY AT A MID-PACIFIC COMMUNITY HOSPITAL UTILIZING A PREPAID MEDICAL SERVICE PLAN HMO. Robert A Frankel, PA-C, Candyce Kaaiai, CSAC, Carlos Weber, MD

P9. LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS FOLLOWING KIDNEY/PANCREAS TRANSPANTATION. Carol A McCloskey, MD, Ramesh C Ramanathan, MD

P10. LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS IN PATIENTS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE. Jorge L Sosa, MD, Hector Pallavicini, MD, Hector Pombo, MD, Nancy Rubio, CST

P11. ARE OLDER BARIATRIC PATIENTS AT INCREASED RISK FOR MICRONUTRIENT DEFICIENCIES?! RoseMarie Toussaint, MD, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

P12. GASTRIC BANDING FOR MORBIDLY OBESE ADOLESCENTS. Eliezer Avinoach, MD, Leonid Lansdberg, MD, Solly Mizrahi, MD

P13. AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY, PATIENTS OVER 50 REPORT HIGHER QUALITY OF LIFE THAN THOSE YOUNGER. Stephanie F Yager, RD, Christopher D Still, DO, FACP, FASA, Peter Benotti, MD, FACS, Anthony Petrick, MD, FACS, William Strodel, MD, FACS, Shawn Yoder, , Craig Wood

P14. BARIATRIC SURGERY IN PATIENTS 60 YEARS OLD AND OLDER. Peter T Hallowell, MD, Thomas A Stellato, MD, Carlleen J Crouse, RN, Margaret M Schuster, RN, Kristen N Graf, RN, Ann V Robinson, , John J Jasper, MD

P15. SAFETY OF BARIATRIC SURGERY IN PATIENTS 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER. Hue Trieu, MD, Samuel Szomstein, MD, Raul J. Rosenthal, MD


P17. COMPARATIVE OUTCOMES OF LAPAROSCOPIC AND OPEN NEPHRECTOMY IN OBSESE AND NON-OBSESE PATIENTS. Marc Zerey, MD, Amy E Lincourt, PhD, Dimitrios Stefanidis, MD, B Lauren Paton, MD, Catherine W Sechrest, BS, Timothy S Kuvada, MD, B Todd Heniford, MD, Kent W Kercher, MD

P18. A PROSPECTIVE STUDY TO EVALUATE THE SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF LAP-BAND® ADJUSTABLE GASTRIC BAND (LAGB®) OPERATIONS FOR PATIENTS WITH BMI BETWEEN 30-40 KG/M2: PRELIMINARY RESULTS. Christine J Ren, MD, George Fielding, MD, Allison Youn

P19. ROUX EN Y GASTRIC BYPASS IN PATIENTS WEIGHING OVER 500 POUNDS. Christopher L Bell, MD, Nancy Puzziferri, MD, John H Rogers, MPH, Elizabeth C Hamilton, MD, David A Provost, MD

P20. OMENTAL NECROSIS AS A CAUSE OF ACUTE ABDOMINAL PAIN AFTER ANTECOLIC GASTRIC BYPASS. Ramsey M Dallal, MD, FACS

P21. SUPER-SUPER OBSESE PATIENTS CAN SAFELY AND EFFECTIVELY UNDERGO LAPAROSCOPIC BARIATRIC SURGERY. Dennis Hong, MD, MS, Jay Jan, MD, Emma Patterson, MD

P22. ENDOSCOPIC THERAPY FOR SEVERE GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE AFTER DUODENAL SWITCH. Nahid Hamoui, MD, Peter F Crookes, MD
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P23. LEARNING CURVE FOR LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS IN AN ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. Parag Bhanot, MD, Alex P Nagle, MD, Jay B Prystowsky, MD

P24. CHANGES IN ALCOHOL SENSITIVITY AND EFFECTS WITH GASTRIC BYPASS. Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD, Debbie L. Daley, MS, Mike Warthen, MD, Robert T. Marema, MD

P25. OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA (OSA): SCREENING PRIOR TO POLYSOMNOGRAPHY (PSG). Julie A Welcheck, RN, Dawn M Miller, MA, Karen M Schulz, RN, Helmut Schreiber, MD, FACS, IM Sonpal, MD, FACS, Linda Patterson, MD, FACS, Aviv Ben-Meir, MD, FACS, Joseph Sopko, MD, FACC

P26. VITAMIN D DEFICIENCIES: EFFECTS OF OBESITY AND LOW SUNLIGHT EXPOSURE. Whitney Wilhide, RN, Jackie Smiertka, RN, Robert T. Marema, MD, Cynthia K. Buffington, PhD

P27. LAPAROSCOPIC SLEEVE GASTRECTOMY: INITIAL RESULTS. Philippe Mognot, MD, Marmuse Jean-Pierre, PhD

P28. SHARED MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS: A NEW CONCEPT FOR HIGH VOLUME FOLLOW UP FOR BARIATRIC PATIENTS. Orit Kaidar-Person, MD, Emily Wong-Swartz, MS, RD, Michelle Lefkowitz, MS, RD, Karen Conigliaro, RN, Norma Fritz, LPN, Jessica Biren, MS, Cynthia Alexander, PsyD, Samuel Szomstein, MD, Raul Rosenthal, MD

P29. RISK STRATIFICATION OF PATIENTS UNDERGOING LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS (RYGB): AN ALGORITHM TO MINIMIZE INCIDENCE OF VENOUS THROMBOEMBOLISM (VTE). Aviv Ben-Meir, MD, Leslie Gilbert, MD, Dawn Miller, MA, John Marshall, MD, Karen Schulz, RN, MSN, Helmut Schreiber, MD, Indukumar Sonpal, MD, Linda Patterson, MD

P30. DEVELOPMENT OF A MEDICAL WEIGHT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH A BARIATRIC SURGERY CENTER. Judy K. Crouch, NPC, Lori Wightman, MSN, Brian Gluck, DO

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P31. OMental WRAP DECREASES GASTROJEJUNAL ANASTOMOTIC LEAK AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BYPASS. Paige Teller, MD, Renee S Wolff, MD, Roy Cobeau, MD

P32. QUALITY OF LIFE IN DIABETIC PATIENTS IMPROVES LESS THAN NON-DIABETES AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY. Stephanie F Yeager, RD, Christopher D Still, DO, FACN, FA, Peter Benotti, MD, FACS, Anthony Petrick, MD, FACS, William Strodel, MD, FACS, Craig Wood, Shawn Yoder, Glenn Gerhard, MD, John Gerdes, PhD

P33. COMPARISON OF LAPAROSCOPIC LINEAR STAPLING DEVICES IN CLINICAL PRACTICE. Steven C. Simper, MD, FACS, Joanna M. Erzinger, MD, Sherman C. Smith, MD, FACS

P34. LAPAROSCOPIC BARIATRIC SURGERY - AN EFFECTIVE TREATMENT FOR OBESITY RELATED DIABETES. Krishna K Bitra, MBChB, Celim J O’Boyle, FRCS, Peter C. Sedman, FRCS, Christopher MS Royston, FRCS, Patrick Moore, FRCS

P35. EARLY BAND SLIPPAGE IS AN AVOIDABLE COMPLICATION OF LAPAROSCOPIC GASTRIC BAND INSERTION. Rishi Singhal, MRCS, Alison Guy, MB, ChB, Kathryn Hunt, MB, ChB, Paul Super, FRCS

P36. SIGNIFICANTLY ABNORMAL LIVER HISTOLOGY ACCOMPANIES MORBID OBESITY IN INDIVIDUALS UNDERGOING LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS (RYGB). Donald E Yarbrough, MD, Ronald H Clements, MD, Teresa Leath, RN, Audrey J Lazenby, Gary A Abrams, MD

P37. COMPLICATED ULCER DISEASE FOLLOWING RYGB. Donald Scholten, MD, Wayne VandeKolk, MD, Stephen R. Goldman

P38. QUALITY OF LIFE 5-10 YEARS AFTER BARIATRIC SURGERY. Marlene M Silva, Celina DB Sobreira, Alexandre Capeletto, Marta Magalinski, Cristiane E Machado, Bruno Zilberstein, MD, PhD, Denis Pajekci, MD, PhD, Joel Faintuch, MD, PhD

P39. NON-FOOD COMPULSIONS IN BARIATRIC CANDIDATES. M A Bicudo, Mara CS Lucia, Niraldo O Santos, Marlene M Silva, Denis Pajekci, MD, PhD, Joel Faintuch, MD, PhD, Bruno Zilberstein, MD, PhD, Joaquim JG Rodrigues, MD, PhD

P40. AMELIORATION OF DIABETIC NEPHROPATHY AFTER GASTRIC BYPASS SURGERY. Christopher D Still, DO, FACN, Christina Hartman, Peter Benotti, MD, FACS, Anthony Petrick, MD, FACS, William Strodel, MD, FACS, Stephanie Yeager, RD, Mary Jane Reed, MD, FACS

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P41. PATIENT SELECTION OF VITAMIN B12 (CYANOCOBALAMIN) ADMINISTRATION ROUTE AND HOW THIS EFFECTS OUTCOMES AND COMPLIANCE. Cathy Mozo, RD, Leslie Berry, RD, Steven Webb, MD, FA, John DePeri, MD FAC

P42. GALLSTONE DISEASE AFTER LAPAROSCOPIC ROUX-EN-Y GASTRIC BYPASS. Alex Escalona, MD, J. Francisco Guerra, MD, Nicolas Devaud, MD, Gustavo Perez, MD, Fernando Covari, MD, Luis Ibez, MD

P43. DESCRIPTION OF PSYCHOLOGICAL PROFILE IN THE MORBIDLY OBESE. ANALYSIS OF 644 MMPI-2 TESTS BEFORE BARIATRIC SURGERY. Sergio J Bardaro, MD, Emma Patterson, MD, Jay Jan, MD, Laura July, MD, Luahna Ude, PhD, Robert Poole, PhD, Dennis Hong, MD
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4. GUARANTEE (All reservations must be accompanied by first night deposit charged immediately)
   Cardholder’s Name: __________________________________________________________________
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   Signature:   __________________________________________________________________

OR

Please forward one night’s room and tax to:
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** RESERVATION CUT-OFF DATE IS MAY 26, 2006 **
* The conference rate is based on availability *
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Please fax reservations to: 415-442-0141
23rd ANNUAL MEETING
EXHIBITORS AS OF FEBRUARY 23, 2006

Exhibit hall is open: Wednesday, June 28 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Thursday, June 29 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Friday, June 30 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Abbott Laboratories
Advanced Infusion, Inc.
Allez Medical Application
American Benefits, Inc.
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Amerinet
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B-WISE
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Hospira Worldwide, Inc.
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ASBS REGISTRATION FORM 23rd Annual Meeting - June 26 - July 1, 2006

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Name of Sponsoring ASBS Member

Signature of Sponsoring ASBS Member

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REGISTRATION FEES

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Monday, June 26

- **Advanced OR Nurses & Surgical Tech Course**
  - 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
  - $250/$350 member/nonmember
  - $300/$400

- **Allied Health Essentials in Surgical Support Course**
  - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
  - $250/$350 member/nonmember
  - $300/$400

- **Masters’ Course in Behavioral Health Monday Only**
  - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
  - $250/$350 member/nonmember
  - $300/$400

- **Masters’ Course in Behavioral Health Monday & Tuesday**
  - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
  - $400/$500 member/nonmember
  - $450/$550

- **Bariatric Statistics Course**
  - 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM
  - $125/$225 member/nonmember
  - $175/$275

Tuesday, June 27

- **Masters’ Course in Behavioral Health Tuesday Only**
  - 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
  - $250/$350 member/nonmember
  - $300/$400

- **Essentials of Bariatric Surgery Course**
  - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  - $275/$375 member/nonmember
  - $325/$425

- **Advanced Laparoscopic Suturing Course**
  - (Choose One)
    - **Suturing - A 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
      - 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $400/$500 member/nonmember
      - $450/$550
    - **Suturing - B 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (repeat of - A)**
      - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
      - $400/$500 member/nonmember
      - $450/$550

- **Advanced Bariatric Surgery Course**
  - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  - $275/$375 member/nonmember
  - $325/$425

- **OR Nurses, PACU Nurses, CRNA (Anesthesia)**
  - (Choose One)
    - **AM Session 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**
      - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **PM Session 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (repeat of AM)**
      - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275

- **Allied Health Postgraduate Courses**
  - AM Session 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (Choose One)
    - **A. Case Study Presentations**
      - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **B. Managing Challenging Patients**
      - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **C. The Pathophysiology of Morbid Obesity**
      - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **D. Mastering the Art of Insurance Approval**
      - 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275

- **PM Session 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (repeat of AM Session)**
  - (Choose One)
    - **A. Case Study Presentations**
      - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **B. Managing Challenging Patients**
      - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **C. The Pathophysiology of Morbid Obesity**
      - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275
    - **D. Mastering the Art of Insurance Approval**
      - 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM
      - $125/$225 member/nonmember
      - $175/$275

Wednesday, June 28

- **Advanced Bariatric Life Support Course**
  - 7:50 AM - 5:15 PM
  - $275/$375 member/nonmember
  - $325/$425

- **Masters’ Postgraduate Course**
  - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  - $275/$375 member/nonmember
  - $325/$425

- **Allied Health General Session**
  - 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
  - $190/$290 member/nonmember
  - $240/$340

- **Students/Residents/Fellows Session**
  - 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM
  - no charge
  - no charge

- **Laparoscopic Cadaver Lab**
  - 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM
  - $1500/$1500 member/nonmember
  - $1800/$1800

Thursday, June 29 - Saturday, July 1

- **Plenary Session**
  - (Thursday - Saturday)
  - $400/$500 member/nonmember
  - $450/$550

- **Dinner Dance**
  - (Thursday - Saturday)
  - $200/$300 member/nonmember
  - $250/$350

SOCIAL EVENTS

- **Welcome Reception**
  - Wednesday, June 28, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
  - $35 each

- **Dinner Dance**
  - Friday, June 30, 7:00 pm - Midnight
  - $75 each

- **Welcome Reception**
  - (Student Price)
  - (Thursday - Saturday)
  - $200/$300 member/nonmember
  - $250/$350

PATTERN INFORMATION

**PAYMENT INFORMATION**

TOTAL (Registration plus social event tickets) $___________

METHOD - Please circle: MasterCard/Visa/American Express/Check

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