

# Bariatric Surgery for Morbid Obesity

A 44-year-old morbidly obese woman inquires about bariatric surgery, a treatment option for patients with a body-mass index of 40 or more (or of 35 or more when there are coexisting medical conditions). Bariatric surgery has been shown to result in substantial weight loss and resolution of associated conditions. A successful clinical outcome requires an experienced multidisciplinary management team and an informed patient who will follow a plan of long-term management and self-care.

## Why Do We Need Doctors

Doctors are people that help us stay healthy and strong. They go to school for a very long time to learn about the things that make us sick and the ways to make us feel better. There are many types of doctors for different reasons. For example, we see a family doctor when we have a cold or get a really bad cut. We go to an eye doctor to make sure that we can see things the right way. If we can't, an eye doctor will give us glasses. We need doctors to help keep us in good shape and help us live a long time.

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