



# **Endoscopic Bariatric Therapies- What's Out There and Who Should Get It**

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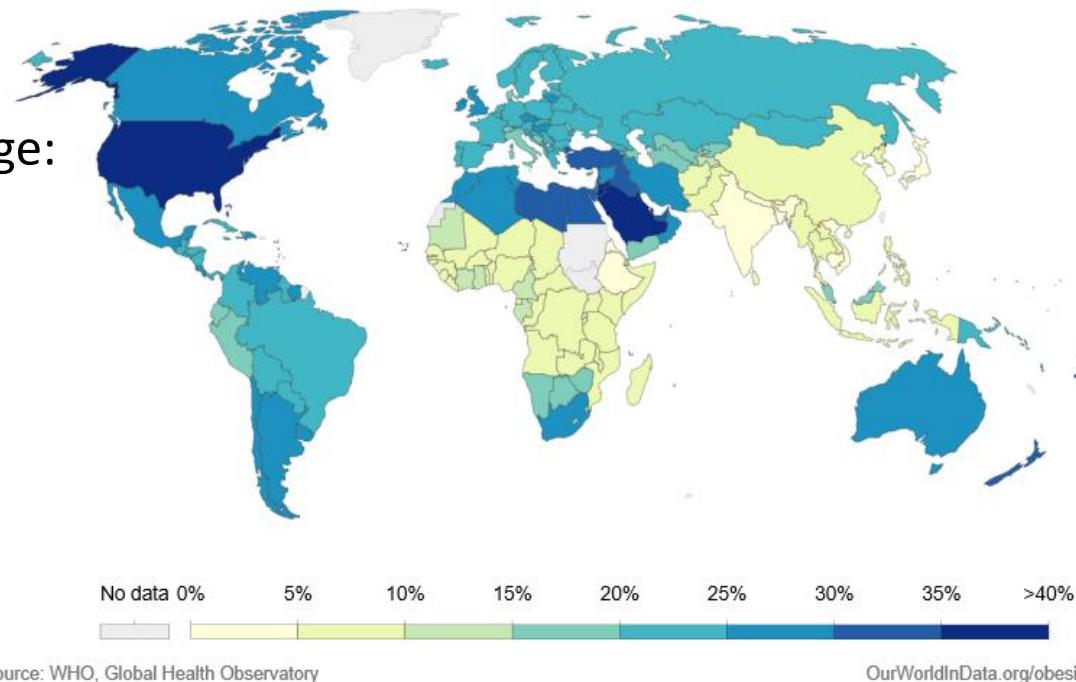
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# Learning Objectives

- 1) Recognize the important role that endoscopic bariatric therapies (EBTs) play in today's management of obesity
- 2) To become familiar with FDA-approved EBTs and their mechanisms of action
- 3) Review how patients are evaluated for EBTs and the importance of a multidisciplinary framework.

# Introduction: Current Global Status of Obesity

- 700 million adults with obesity ( $BMI^* \geq 30$ )



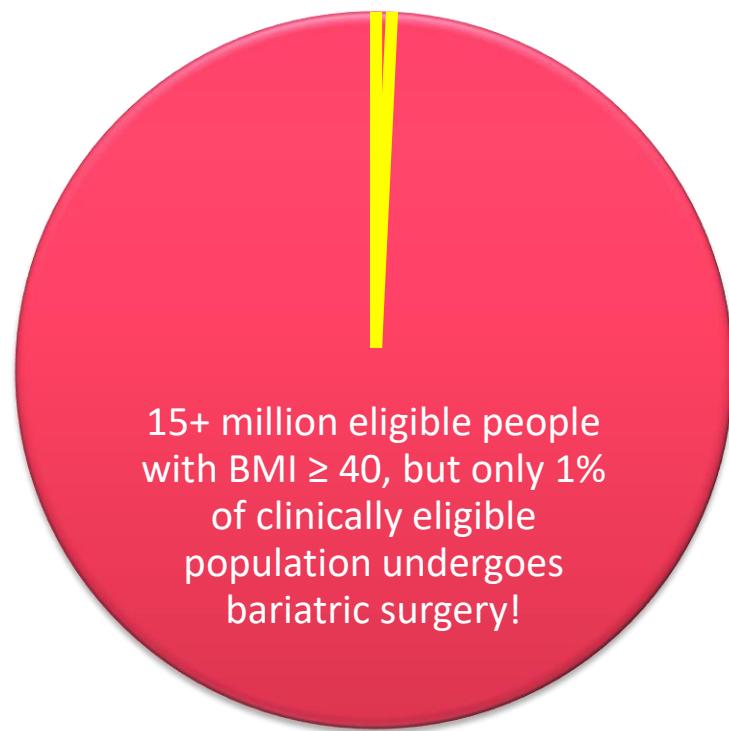
- In the U.S. for adults > 20 years of age:
  - 73.6% overweight or obesity
  - 42.5% obesity
- Obesity is a major risk factor for:
  - Cardiovascular disease
  - Diabetes Mellitus
  - NAFLD/NASH/Cirrhosis/HCC
  - Cancers

\* Body Mass Index (BMI)- defined as  $kg/m^2$

<https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/obesity-and-overweight>.  
<https://ourworldindata.org/obesity>

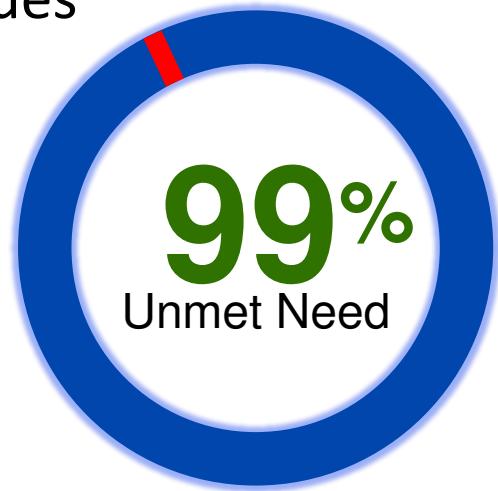
# Current Status of Bariatric Surgery in USA

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
Total	158,000	173,000	179,000	193,000	196,000	216,000	228,000	252,000

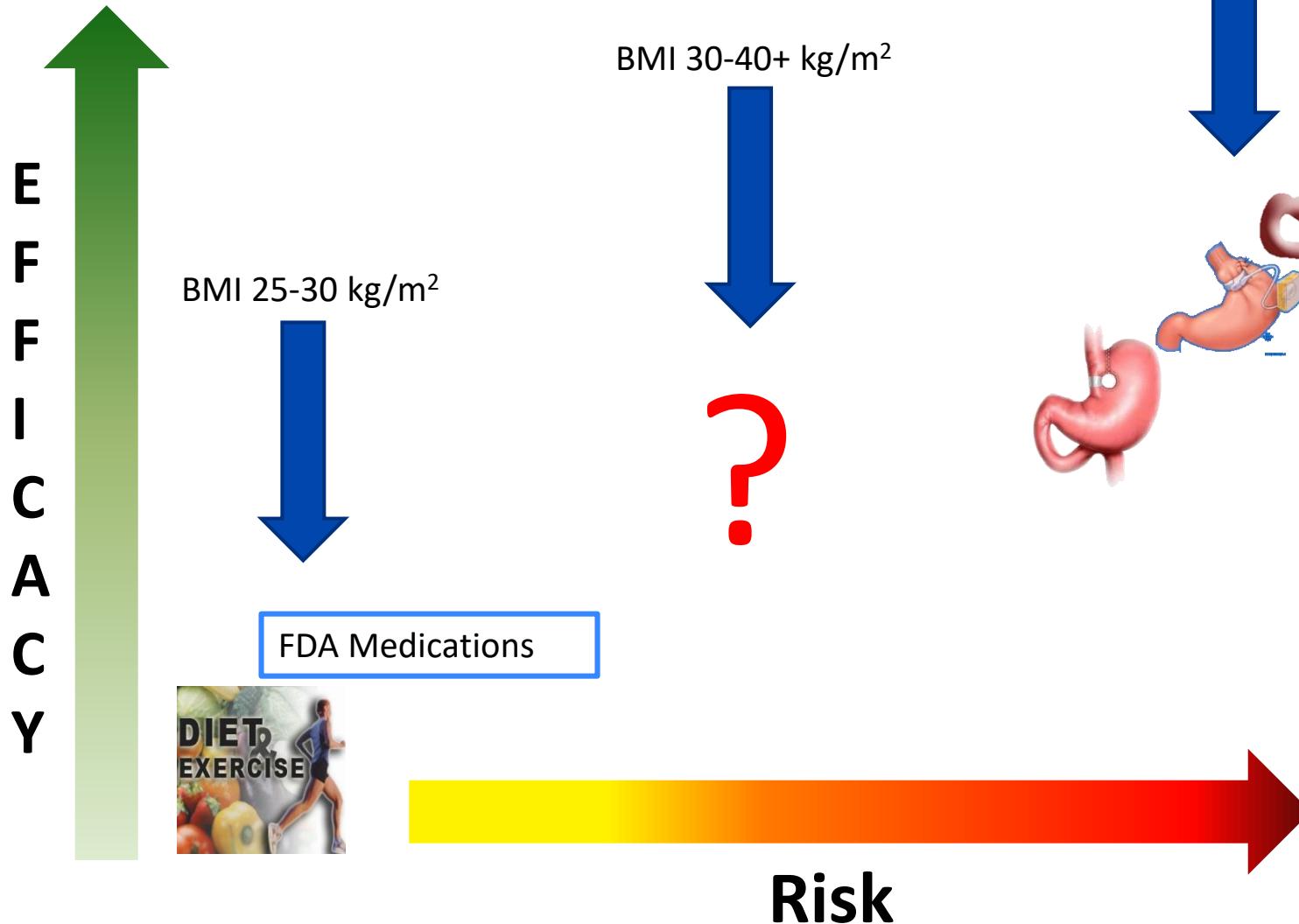


# What Is Going On Here?

- Fear of surgery
- Lack of insurance coverage
- BMI not high enough
- Not enough/lack of obesity-related comorbidities
- Patient misperceptions of weight status and issues

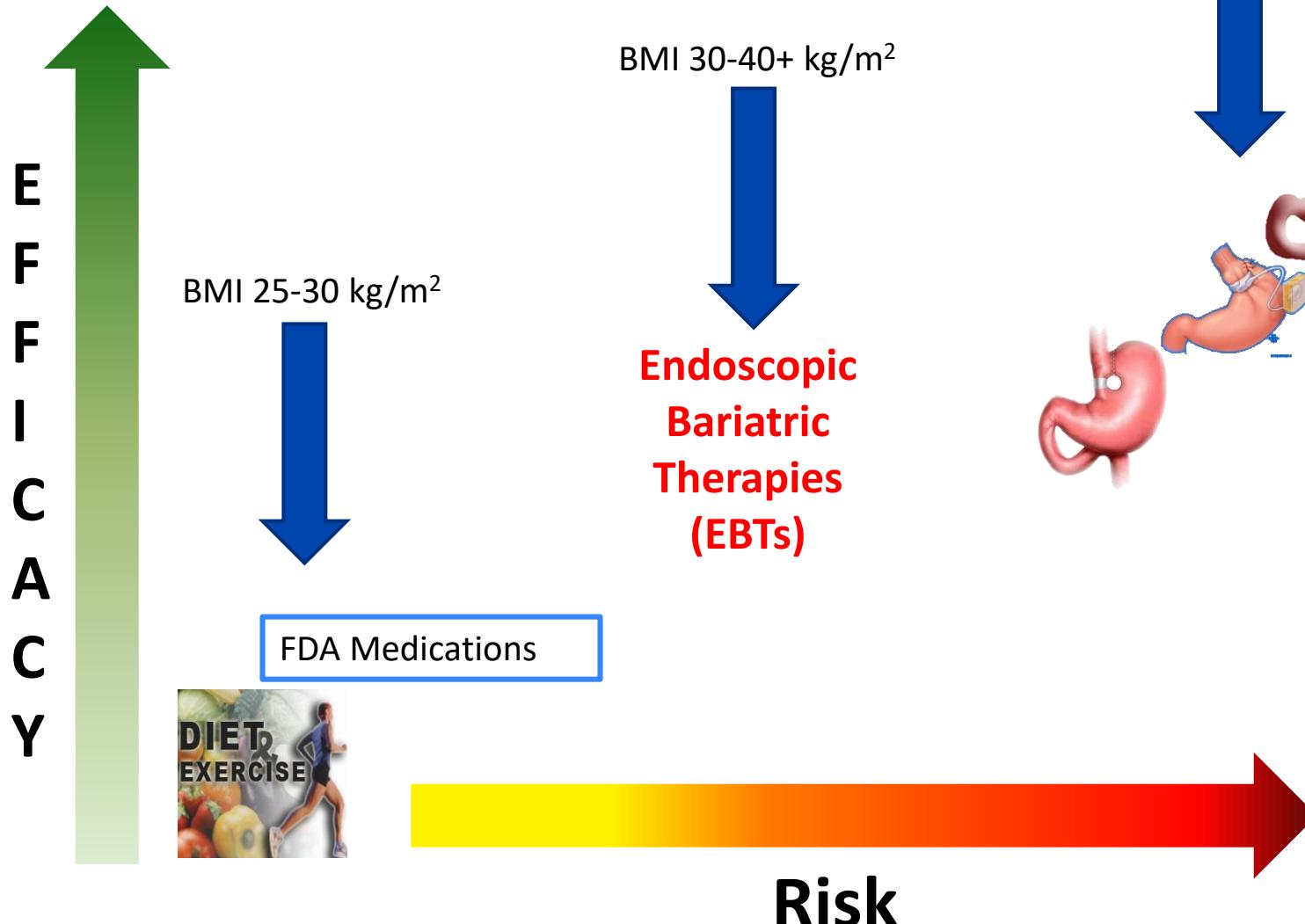


# Treatments for Obesity



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# Types of EBTs

## Space occupying

- Intragastric balloons 
- TransPyloric Shuttle 
- Full Sense

## Gastric Remodeling/ Plication

- Endoscopic Sleeve Gastropasty (ESG) 
- Primary Obesity Surgery Endoluminal Procedure 2 (POSE2)

## Malabsorption/Aspiration

- Aspiration Therapy 
- Gastrointestinal bypass sleeves
- Duodenal mucosal resurfacing
- Small bowel magnets

 FDA approved device or therapy

# Intragastric Balloon (IGB)

# IGB

- Four approved by FDA:

- Orbera
- TransPyloric Shuttle
- Obalon IGB
- ReShape Duo

– *Spatz3 (under review by FDA)- longer term balloon up to 12 months*

FDA approved for 6-month duration

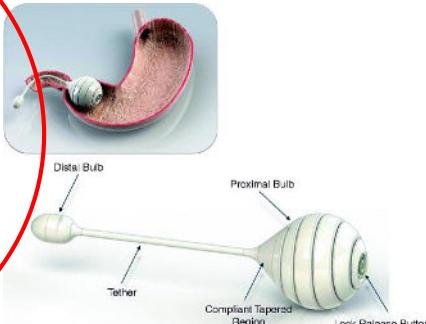
- Mechanisms of action:

- Delays gastric emptying
- Early satiety due to space occupying device

Orbera



TransPyloric Shuttle



Obalon



Reshape Duo



Spatz3



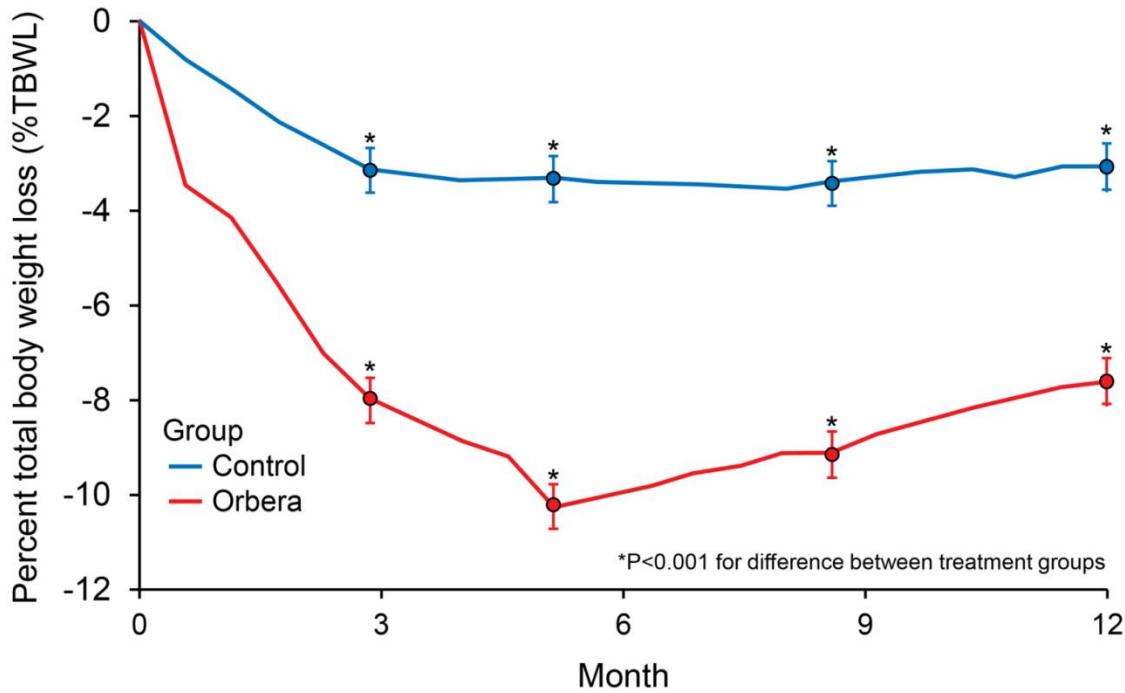


Intragastric  
Balloon  
Placement



Intragastric  
Balloon  
Removal

# % TBWL with Orbera: US Pivotal Trial (ITT) N= 255



- ✓ IGB+ LIP patient can achieve 3 x weight loss at 6 months compared to LIP alone
- ✓ Majority of weight loss occurs in the first 3 months

IGB- intragastric balloon  
LIP- lifestyle intervention program

# IGB Therapy Induces Significant Metabolic and Histologic Improvement in Patients with Nonalcoholic Steatohepatitis (NASH)

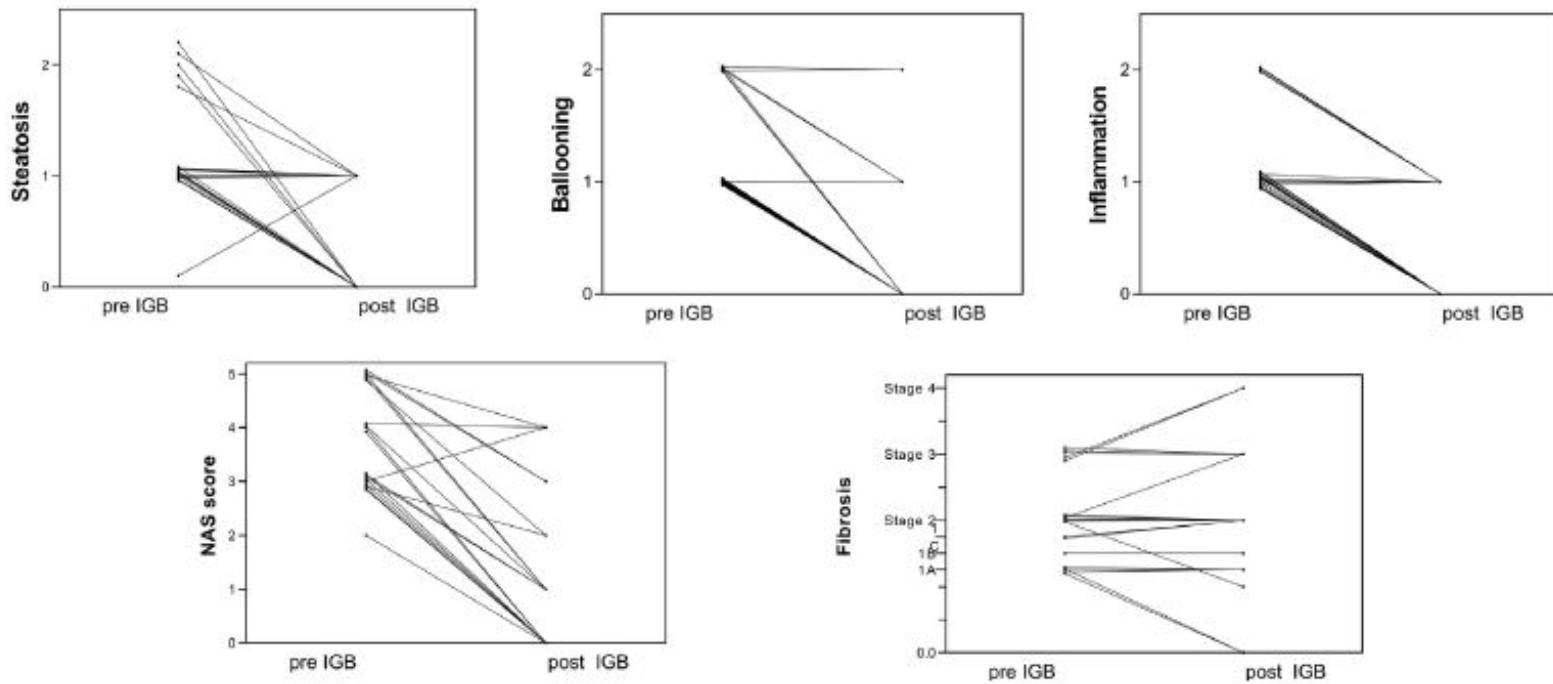


Figure 2. Individual patient change in NAS and fibrosis pre- and post-IGB therapy.



# **CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES**

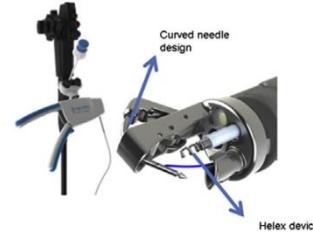
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## **AGA Clinical Practice Guidelines on Intragastric Balloons in the Management of Obesity**

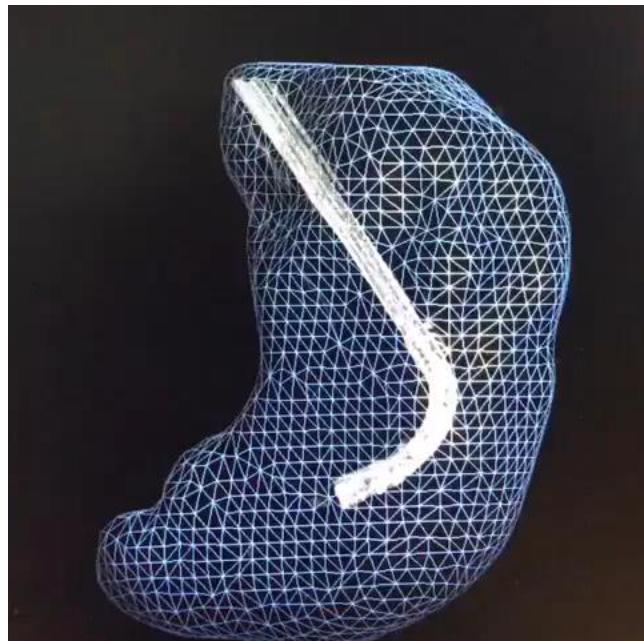
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# **Endoscopic Sleeve Gastroplasty (ESG)**

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- Reduction of stomach area (> 70%) along greater curvature by endoscopic placement of full-thickness sutures, creating sleeve
- Induces early satiety
- Delays gastric emptying



Pre- ESG



After ESG



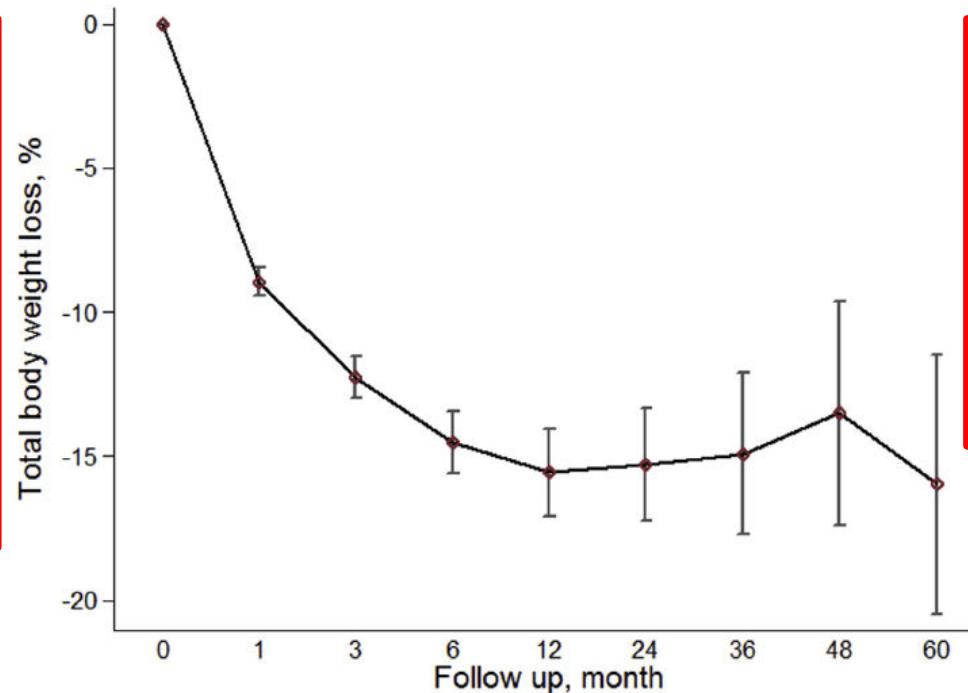
# ESG %TWL Outcomes at 5 Years, N=216 patients

Weill Cornell/New York-Presbyterian Hospital

68% female

Mean age  $46 \pm 13$  years

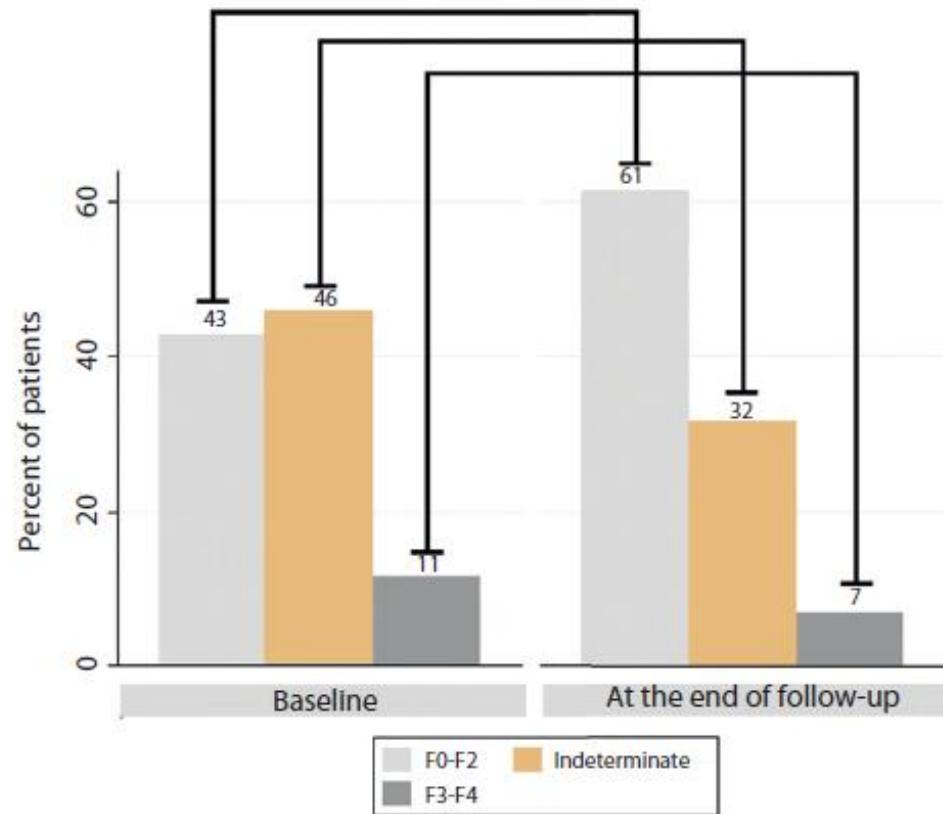
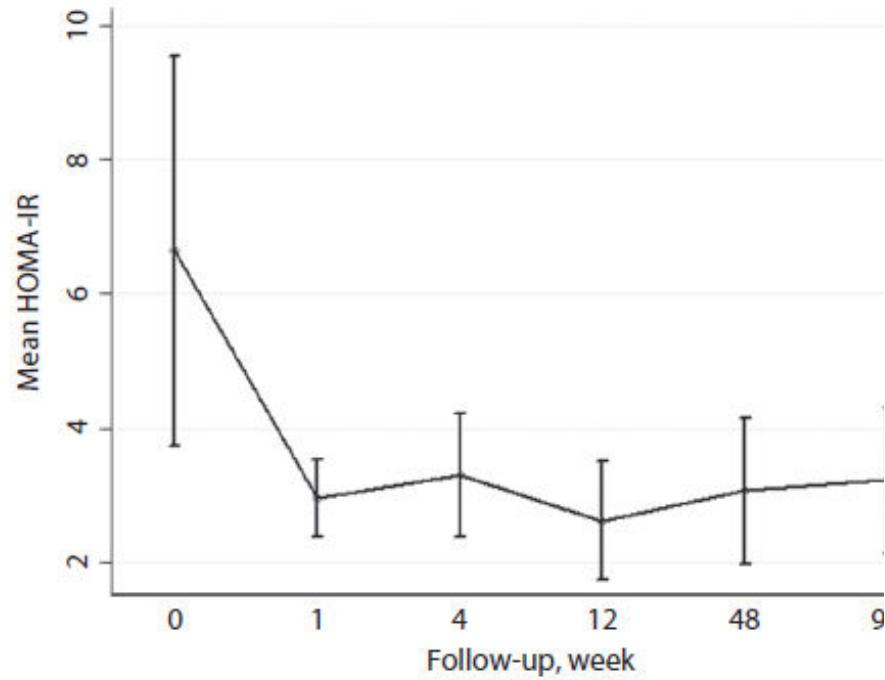
Mean baseline BMI  $39 \pm 6 \text{ kg/m}^2$



%TBWL 6 mos = 14.5%  
% TBWL 12 mos = 15.6%  
% TBWL 24 mos = 15.3%  
% TBWL 36 mos = 14.9%  
% TBWL 60 mos = 15.9%

90% and 61% of patients maintained 5% and 10% TWL, respectively

# ESG Improves Insulin Resistance and Steatohepatitis



## ESG: Prospective Studies

- Multi-center ESG randomized interventional Trial (MERIT-Trial) with estimated 200 participants completed, data to be presented in 2021

# Patient Selection

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- Struggled with weight for years
  - Off and on dieting
  - Successful weight loss followed by weight regain
  - Embarrassing for patients- be sensitive and compassionate
- Body Mass Index:
  - Overweight BMI 27-30 with comorbidities
    - Metabolic syndrome
  - BMI 30+ with/without obesity related comorbidities

# Patient Selection: Additional Indications for EBTs

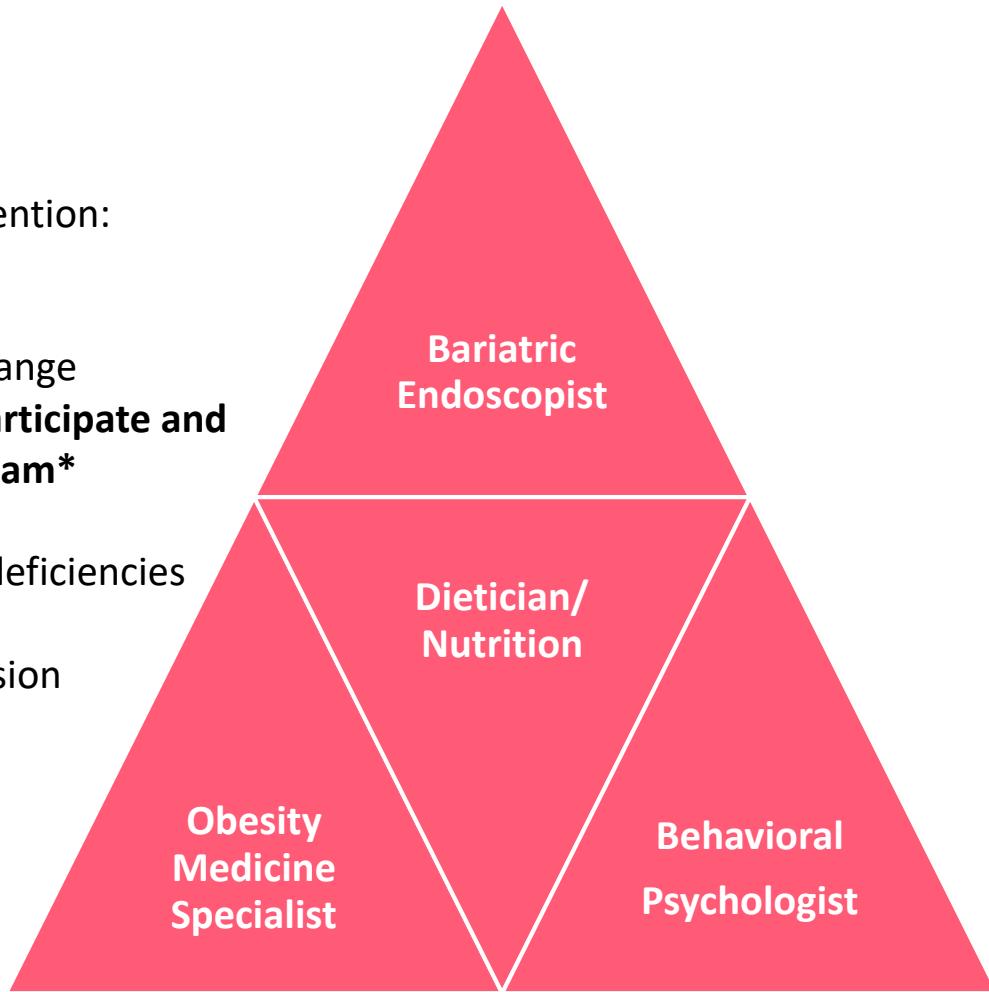
- Bridge to surgery when surgery may not be safe
  - Bariatric surgery
  - Non-bariatric surgery
    - Orthopedic, Neurosurgical, Colorectal
- Bridge to weight loss for organ transplant
  - Heart transplant patients with LVADs\*

# Important Considerations and Barriers

- EBTs are not for everyone!
  - Class III Obesity
  - Many obesity-related comorbidities
  - Poorly controlled Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus
- Patient and medical professional misperceptions about obesity:
  - Lack of knowledge about severity of obesity
  - Providing up to date recommendations
  - Realizing the obesity is a chronic medical condition

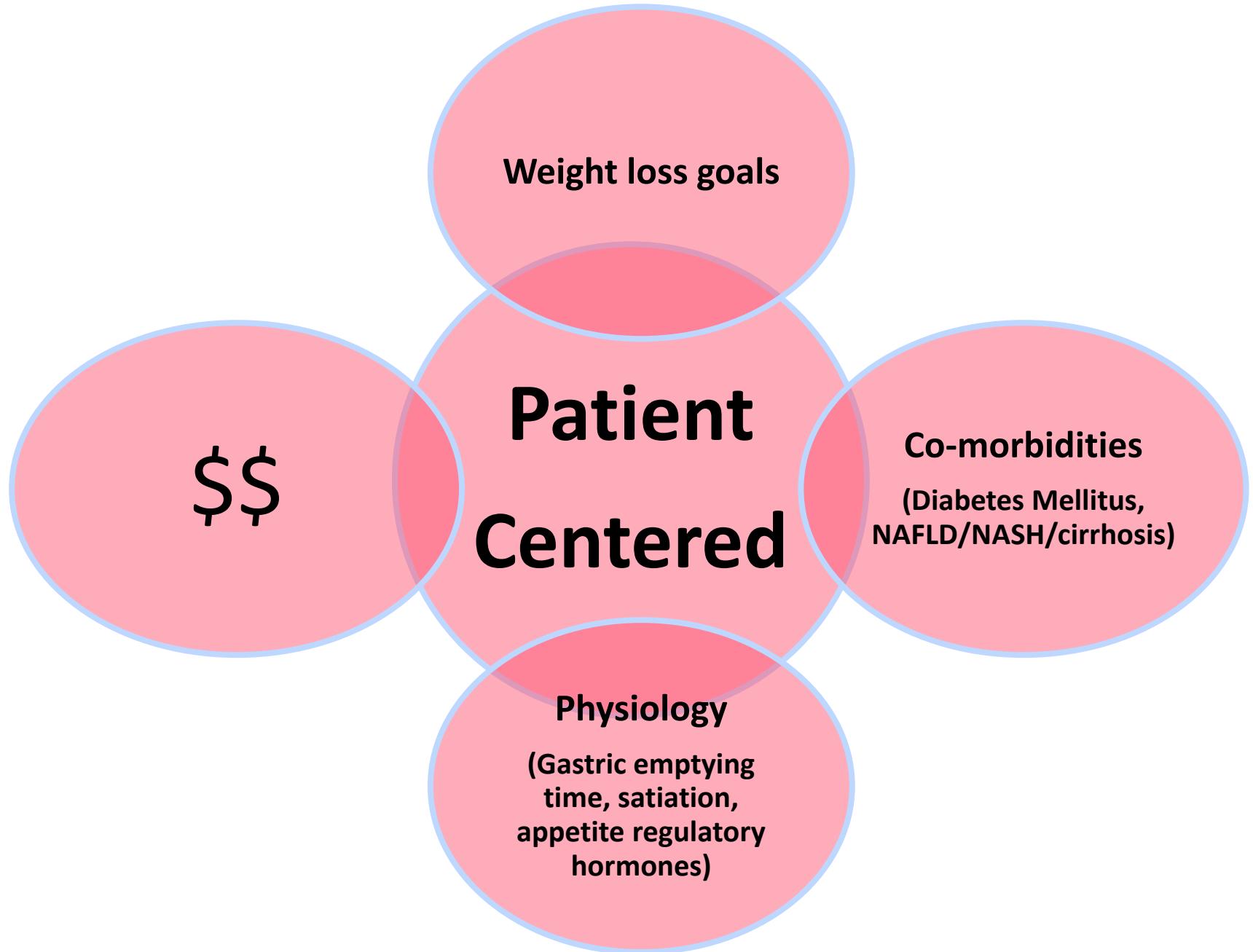
# EBT Infrastructure: Multidisciplinary Team

- Intense lifestyle intervention:
  - Eating behaviors
  - Physical activity
  - Willingness to change
  - **Willingness to participate and follow up with team\***
- Macro/micronutrient deficiencies
- GI anatomy
- NASH/portal hypertension



\*Lopez-Navar G et al. *Endosc Int Open.* 2019;7(12):E1691-E1698

# Which EBT to Choose?



# Conclusions

- Bariatric endoscopy is rapidly evolving and gaining momentum
- EBT weight loss data shows that these interventions are
  - Durable
  - Improve metabolic outcomes
  - Play a crucial role in the management of obesity and metabolic diseases
- EBTs must be incorporated into a comprehensive weight management program

# Muchas Gracias!

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