**Gastric Bypass**

**CLINICAL INDICATIONS FOR PROCEDURE**

* Severe obesity: BMI of 40 or greater, BMI of 35 or greater with serious co-morbidity related to obesity (type 2 DM, hypoventilation, obstructive sleep apnea, nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, pseudotumor cerebri, severe osteoarthritis).
* Patient is a candidate for bariatric surgery as indicated by **ALL** of the following:
	+ Failure to achieve and maintain significant weight loss with nonsurgical treatment
	+ Patient is fully grown and will be able to adhere to post-operative care
	+ No correctable causes of obesity or current substance abuse identified
	+ Patient has demonstrated reliable participation of sufficient duration in multidisciplinary weight-loss program
	+ Preoperative care planning should include complete medical evaluation, behavioral health evaluation, nutritional consultation and exercise counseling.

**Reference**

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