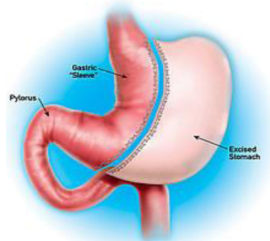
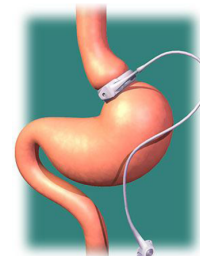




Gastric Sleeve



Gastric Banding



Procedure Description

A thin vertical sleeve of the stomach is created, which is approximately the size of a banana. The rest of the stomach is removed.

A gastric band is placed on the upper portion of the stomach, creating a smaller upper pouch. The tightness of the band affects how much food you can eat.

How the Procedure Affects Digestion

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Length of Hospital Stay

2-3 Days

Outpatient or 1 day observation

Health Benefits from Bariatric Surgery

Bariatric surgery patients showed improvements in the following conditions:

- Type 2 diabetes remission in 76.8% and significantly improved in 86% of patients
- High blood pressure eliminated in 61.7% and significantly improved in 78.5% of patients
- High cholesterol reduced in more than 70% of patients
- Sleep apnea was eliminated in 85.7% of patients

Joint disease, asthma and infertility were also dramatically improved or resolved. The study showed that surgery patients lost between 62% and 75% of excess weight