

Informed Consent – Laparoscopic Gastric Bypass

1. I am in agreement with my surgeon that the benefits of laparoscopic gastric bypass outweigh the risks of the surgery. The specific risks are:

- **Early:**

- Anastomotic leak
- Pulmonary embolism
- Wound infection
- Gastrointestinal hemorrhage
- Respiratory insufficiency
- Mortality

- **Late:**

- Incisional hernia
- Bowel obstruction
- Internal hernia
- Stomal stenosis
- Vitamin or mineral deficiencies
- Marginal ulcer

2. I agree to take vitamin and calcium supplements daily. I also understand it is essential that I have vitamin, mineral and hormone levels checked at 3 and 6 months post-op and then yearly thereafter for the rest of my life. I understand that untreated vitamin and mineral deficiencies that may result from the bypass can be life threatening if undetected and not treated.

Signature

Date

Witness

Surgeon