

Bariatric Surgery – Steps To Get Started

Step 1: Attend Informational Session

View our list of class sessions at <u>qo.osu.edu/bariatricinfo</u>

Step 2: Call Your Insurance Provider

Call your health insurance provider to see IF bariatric surgery is a covered benefit

Roux-en Y	CPT Code: 43644	Self-Pay Cost: \$19,750	PLEASE NOTE:
Lap Band	CPT Code: 43770	Self-Pay Cost: \$15,250	All self-pay patients
Gastric Sleeve	CPT Code: 43775	Self-Pay Cost: \$17,200	must see Dr. Kramer

Step 3A: Complete the Online Application Packet

- Bariatric Surgery Application can be downloaded at go.osu.edu/bariatricapplication
- Please start "Step 3B" once your application is submitted
- Upon receipt of your application and cleared psychological evaluation, you will be contacted within seven business days to schedule your "Step 4: Evaluation Day" appointment

Step 3B: Schedule Your Psychological Evaluation

- Psychological evaluations are scheduled with one of the providers below
- Please verify that your insurance is in network with the provider

Dr. Douglas Kramer	(614) 366-6675	2050 Kenny Road, Suite 1066 Columbus, OH 43201
Dr. Terry Imar	(740) 369-3478	244 Paddock Court Delaware, OH 43015
Dr. Amy Stoffregen	(614) 451-6606	4949 Olentangy River Road Columbus, OH 43214

Step 4: Evaluation Day – Please bring Insurance Card/s and Photo ID

- Medical evaluation & dietary evaluation (your dietary & medical evaluations as well as your psychological evaluation will determine the type of weight management program, if needed, that will help you be most successful before and after surgery)
- Labs will be drawn; other procedures may be ordered
- You will be assigned a Program Coordinator to navigate you through the Bariatric Surgery Program
- Schedule your 3 or 6 month weight management program, if necessary (Note: Caresource requires a 9 month weight management program)
- Clinical evaluation appointments are held at:

Martha Morehouse Medical Plaza 2050 Kenny Rd, 2nd Floor Pavilion, Suite 2500 Columbus OH, 43221

Step 5: Review of File by Medical Staff

- Review determines if any additional tests need to be done: risks vs. benefits of surgery
- You will be notified of clinical review recommendations

Step 6: Insurance Submission and Approval

- Program Coordinator will verify surgery and procedure at time of insurance submission
- Please allow ALL insurance companies thirty (30) days to make their decision for approvals and denials

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Step 8: Surgery Day