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List of Abbreviations

ACTH	Adrenocorticotrophic hormone
AGB	Adjustable gastric band
AgRP	Agouti-related protein
AHI	Apnea-hypopnea index
BDNF	Brain derived neurotrophic factor
BIB	Bio-enterics Intragastric Balloon
BMI	Body mass index
BPD	Biliopancreatic diversion
CDC	Centers for disease control and prevention
DHEAS	Dehydroepi- androsterone sulfate
DS	Duodenal switch
EGIR	European Group for the study of Insulin Resistance
EWL	Excess weight loss
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
fl oz	Fluid ounce
FTO	Fat mass and obesity associated gene
GBP	Gastric bypass surgery
GH	Growth hormone
GHS-R	Growth hormone secretagogue receptor
GIP	Glucose-dependent insulinotropic polypeptide
GLP-1	Glucagon like peptide-1
HDL	High density lipoprotein
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HTN	Hypertension
IB	Intra gastric balloon
IDF	International Diabetes Federation
IGF-1	Insulin like growth factor 1
IGS	Implantable Gastric Stimulation
INR	International normalized ratio
IPTH	Intact parathyroid hormone
IR	Insulin resistance
JIB	Jejunioileal bypass
LAGB	Laparoscopic adjustable gastric banding
LFTs	Liver function tests
LRYGB	Laparoscopic Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
LSG	Laparoscopic sleeve gastrectomy
MC3R	Melanocortin 3 receptors
MC4R	Melanocortin 4 receptors
MS	Metabolic syndrome
MSH	Melanocyte stimulating hormone
NAFLD	Nonalcoholic fatty liver disease
NASH	Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis
NCEP/ATPIII	National Cholesterol Education Program/Adult Treatment Panel III
NPY	Neuropeptide Y
OSA	Obstructive sleep apnea
PC1	Prohormone convertase 1
PCOS	Polycystic ovary syndrome
POMC	Production of pro-opiomelanocortin
PYY	Peptide tyrosine-tyrosine

QOL	Quality of life
RYGB	Roux-en-Y gastric bypass
SG	Sleeve gastrectomy
SITU	Single incision transumbilical
SNPs	Single nucleotide polymorphisms
SOS	Swedish Obese Subjects
T2DM	Type 2 diabetes mellitus
VBG	Vertical banded gastroplasty
VLDL	Very low density lipoprotein
WHO	World Health Organization
WLS	Weight loss surgery

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Introduction

Obesity is defined as abnormal or excessive fat accumulation that may impair health. Obesity is now on the rise in low and middle income countries, particularly in urban settings. Close to 35 million overweight children are living in developing countries and 8 million in developed countries (**Ogden et al., 2010**).

Obesity now affects 17% of all children and adolescents in the United States. The percentage of adolescents and children who are obese tripled from 1980 to 2008. In 2008 alone, more than one third of U.S. children and adolescents were overweight or obese (**NCFHS, 2011**).

Body mass index (BMI, the weight in kilograms divided by the square of the height in meters) is a screening tool used to assess body fat. BMI has become the preferred method for defining overweight and obesity in children and adolescents because it is noninvasive, easily obtained, and strongly correlated with total body fat (**Himes, 2009**).

For patients aged 2 through 19 years, weight status may be determined by plotting the BMI value on the 2000 CDC (centers for disease control and prevention) growth charts, which results in an age and gender specific percentile. In contrast to the adult classification

of obesity, age and gender specific percentiles are used for pediatric patients, since body composition differs for boys and girls and for children and adolescents as they grow (**Barlow, 2007**).

Obesity is considered if a BMI at or above the 95th percentile or a BMI greater than 30 kg/m² (**Ogden et al., 2010**).

As the incidence of childhood obesity has increased, so has the identification of the consequences of obesity in children, including Type 2 diabetes mellitus (T2DM), hypertension, hyperlipidemia, fatty liver disease, premature cardiovascular disease, nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, polycystic ovarian syndrome, respiratory disease (sleep apnea and obesity hypoventilation syndrome), gallbladder diseases, musculoskeletal diseases, orthopedic problems, hyperandrogenism and certain cancers (**Körner et al., 2008**).

Over 50% of overweight adolescents meet the criteria for the metabolic syndrome (insulin resistance, hypertension, hyperlipidemia and abdominal obesity) (**Gardner et al., 2008**).

The cornerstone of management for childhood obesity is modification of dietary and exercise habits, decreasing portion sizes, decreasing high calorie food and drinks and decreasing snacks are the most common

dietary recommendations for obese children. Diet modification alone is often not sufficient to achieve optimal weight loss in individuals with morbid obesity. When caloric intake decreases, metabolism slows, resulting in decreased calorie utilization and difficulty achieving weight loss, typically resulting in a maximum weight loss of 5-10%, which is unlikely to be sustained (**Hainer et al., 2008**).

For individuals suffering from complications associated with morbid obesity, bariatric surgery is recognized as an effective treatment to provide significant weight loss and long term weight control (**De Castro Cesar et al., 2008**).

In view of the rise in the prevalence of childhood obesity, particularly of cases in which obesity related morbidity is already present at a very young age, implementation of surgical treatment modality in adolescents seems a reasonable and acceptable option (**August et al., 2008**).

The original bariatric surgical procedure was the jejunocolic bypass. This approach was introduced in 1954 and because of its complications, such as life threatening hepatic failure, cirrhosis and renal failure; it is no longer performed (**Balsiger et al., 2000**).

Both the jejunoileal bypass and the biliopancreatic diversion were performed in adolescents in the 1970s