Contraindications to Weight Loss Surgery

- You have an inflammatory disease or condition of the gastrointestinal tract, such as ulcers, severe esophagitis, or Crohns disease.
- You have severe heart or lung disease that makes you a poor candidate for any surgery.
- You have some other disease that makes you a poor candidate for any surgery.
- You have a problem that could cause bleeding in the esophagus or stomach. That might include esophageal or gastric varices (a dilated vein). It might also be something such as congenital or acquired intestinal telangiectasia (dilation of a small blood vessel).
- You have portal hypertension.
- Your esophagus, stomach, or intestine is not normal (congenital or acquired). For instance, you might have a narrowed opening.
- You have/experienced an intra-operative gastric injury, such as a gastric perforation at or near the location of the intended band placement.
- You have cirrhosis.
- You have chronic pancreatitis.
- You are pregnant.
- You are addicted to alcohol or drugs.
- You are under 18 years of age.
- You have an infection anywhere in your body or one that could contaminate the surgical area.
- You are on chronic, long-term steroid treatment.
- You cannot or do not want to follow the dietary rules that come with this procedure.
- You might be allergic to materials in the device.
- You cannot tolerate pain from an implanted device.
- You or someone in your family has an autoimmune connective tissue disease. That might be a disease such as systemic lupus erythematosus or scleroderma. The same is true if you have symptoms of one of these diseases.
- You have limited past diet attempts.
- You have history of poor adherence with medical regimens or pattern of missed appointments.
- You have active substance abuse of psychosis.
- You have uncontrolled / untreated psychiatric disorder.
- You have suicide attempt within last 18 months.
- You have multiple suicide attempts within last five years.

ONLY your surgeon can determine if Bariatric Surgery is right for you, please inform them if you have any of the above conditions.