



Dear Prospective Client,

Thank you for your interest in the Bariatric Program at UNC Chapel Hill. We are happy that you have made the first step at improving your health and look forward to working with you.

Please call your insurance company to find out if weight loss surgery is a **covered benefit**. If you need assistance, we are happy to help. If you are considering paying out of pocket for the surgery, please call us so we can discuss options with you.

Complete the required paperwork attached and email it back to us at: *Division of Gastrointestinal Surgery, ATTN: Bariatric Coordinator, UNC Department of Surgery, CB# 7081, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7081.*

Once we receive your application, it will be reviewed and someone from our office will contact you to set up an initial appointment for you.

On your initial appointment, you will meet with the Nurse Practitioner, Registered Dietitian, and Clinical Psychologist. This detailed visit will combine an informational video, followed by an individualized psychological screening, a nutrition evaluation, and a physical examination. Blood work may be ordered.

After this appointment all your paperwork will be submitted to your insurance company for approval; this may take up to 6 weeks. Some insurance companies require supervised diet and exercise attempts for up to six months prior to covering your surgery.

Once approved, we will set up an appointment with one of our surgeons for your pre-surgical evaluation and if appropriate, a surgery date will then be set.

We look forward to meeting you,

Dr. Timothy Farrell
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I am interested in: Gastric Bypass Gastric Band Revision Sleeve Gastrectomy

How did you hear about our program?

Patient Information

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Home/Cell _____ Work _____

Email Address: _____

Your current Height: _____

Your current Weight: _____

BMI: _____

To Calculate Your BMI [Click Here](#)

Referring MD:

Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Primary MD:

Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Psychologist:

Name: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____



Insurance Information

Please list your insurance company name, ID/plan number and group number on this page.

Subscriber Name & Birthdate (if different from patient):

(BCBS or Wellpath plans with Duke, please check here:)

Plan name:

1. Call your insurance company.

Phone Number:

2. Give your insurance ID/plan and group number.

Plan Number:

Group Number:

3. Get the name of the person with whom you spoke to at the insurance office.

Name:

4. Confirm that WEIGHT LOSS SURGERY is a **covered benefit**.

→*Ask, "Is weight loss surgery a covered benefit?" -o V\

5. Ask if there is a prerequisite to have a supervised diet before surgery.

→*Ask, "Do I need a special diet or exercise plan completed before surgery?"
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(Most companies require 6-12 months diet/exercise before surgery.)



Bariatric History:

How long have you been looking into having weight loss assistance? Years

Have you ever been evaluated for weight loss surgery before? YES NO

When did weight become a problem for you? Child Teen Adult w/pregnancy

At what age did you first begin dieting: Years Old

Are your family members heavy? YES NO

List relation to family members (sibling, mother, father, etc.):

What do you feel has caused you to be heavy?

Major Illness	Major Stressor	Medication	Marriage
Trauma	Travel	Divorce	
Food choices	Inactivity	Genetics	

What was your highest adult weight? lbs. When:

What was your lowest adult weight? lbs. When:

Eating patterns:

Describe your eating habits:

Do you skip meals? YES NO

If so, which meals:

Do you drink sugar-sweetened beverages? YES NO

Who does the grocery shopping/ meal preparation?

Are you allergic/ intolerant to any foods? YES NO

If so, which foods:

Do you eat big meals? YES NO

If so, which meals:

Do you find it difficult to feel full, or satisfied? YES NO

What are your favorite foods, or those you eat most often?

Do you consider yourself a slow eater or fast eater? SLOW FAST

How often do you eat outside of the home/ include fast food? /times per week



Exercise or Activity:

Describe your exercise habits:

How often do you exercise? None Daily 2x/week 3x/week 4x/week

What are your barriers to exercise?

Can you walk up a flight of stairs without stopping? YES NO

How far can you walk without stopping? <10mins 15mins 30mins >30mins

Can you put on/tie you shoes and socks? YES NO

Can you perform adequate hygiene after going to the bathroom? YES NO

Can you perform necessary household chores/activities? YES NO

Can you fit in a theater/airplane/amusement park seat? YES NO

Psychological Eating/ Problems:

Do you have any mental health concerns? YES NO

If yes, what:

Do you ever have binges (eating a large amount of food in a short period of time)?
YES NO

Have you ever been a victim of Physical, Sexual, or Emotional abuse? YES NO

Are you experiencing any major life stressors currently? YES NO

Are you under the care of a psychologist/ psychiatrist/ counsellor?
(If so, we need a letter of support) YES NO



Weight Loss Attempts:

Program	Describe/ Year	Months on Program	Pounds Lost	Comments	Cost (\$)
Diet pills (any)					
Weight Watchers					
Liquid Diets (Optifast or Slim Fast, etc.)					
Low calorie diets					
Low carb diets or Atkins					
Jenny Craig or Nutri-system					
Fad diets					
Physician Monitored Diet "Diet Clinics"					
Hypnosis/ counseling					
Surgery					
Dietitian counseling					
OA					
Gym Memberships Exercise plans					

What diet/ weight loss plan has worked the best?

What do you feel has been your biggest barrier to losing weight?

Why do you want to have weight loss surgery?

Please keep a food journal for a few days before your upcoming appointment and bring it with you.



Social History:

Where are you from?

Where do you live now?

Education:

Describe your living arrangements:

Marital status: Children: YES NO

Any desire for children in future? YES NO

Current Occupation: Employer:

Years at this position: Can you take time off to recover?
YES NO

Previous occupation (if disabled or unemployed)

Who will help take care of you, if needed, after surgery?

Habits:

Do you (or did you) smoke? YES NO Quit /years ago

Average daily tobacco habit: packs/day for years

Do you drink alcoholic beverages? YES NO Quit /years ago

How many a day? Week? Month?

Do you use recreational drugs? YES NO Quit /years ago

Do you have, or have you had a problem with drugs or alcohol?
YES NO

Explain:

Family History:

Cancer Heart attack Stroke Diabetes High B/P

Biological Father () Age: Medical Hx:

Biological Mother () Age: Medical Hx:

Extended Family (Siblings, Grandparents, children): *(List anything of importance)*



Are you experiencing (currently):

- | | | | |
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| Recent unexplained weight loss | | Change in Bowels/Bloody Stools | |
| Recent unexplained weight gain | | Pain or difficulty Urinating | |
| Shortness of Breath | | Daytime Drowsiness | |
| Dizziness | Headaches | Fevers/Chills | Abdominal Pain |
| Weakness | Fatigue | Coughing | Hernias |
| Chest Pain | Pressure in chest | Palpitations | Heartburn |
| Snoring (apnea) | Insomnia | Constipation | Libido changes |
| Wheezing | Night Sweats | Skin changes | |

Health Maintenance:

- Do you see a healthcare provider regularly? YES NO
 Do you see a dentist regularly? YES NO

When was your last (if applicable):

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| Mammogram | Pap smear | Colonoscopy |
| Prostate Exam | Eye Exam | |

Have you had any Routine Diagnostic Studies: (please attach reports)

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| Lab work | Chest X-ray | EKG |
| Cardiology Tests | Other: | |

Concerns, Questions, Comments?

Will you, the patient, commit to careful follow-up with us for up to 5 years?

Signature of Patient

Date