

What risks will I face by taking part in this project?

The only possible risk to you is the unintended release of your personal health information. The staff will take every measure to protect your personal information. Your surveys are identified by a secret number and are kept in a very secure place. The secret number will only be used to send you the yearly follow-up surveys.

How could I benefit if I take part in this project?

The information about you and others undergoing bariatric surgery will be studied to help active hospitals learn and improve the quality of care for their bariatric surgery patients.

How can I learn more about this project?

Talk to your doctor and the staff at your hospital about any questions or concerns that you may have. You can also go to the following website for more information: <http://mbscsurgery.org>



Participating Hospitals:



- Ascension Borgess Hospital
- Ascension Macomb-Oakland Madison Hts.
- Ascension Providence Hospital Southfield
- Ascension St. John Hospital
- Ascension St. Mary's Hospital
- Chelsea Hospital
- Corewell Health Beaumont Grosse Pointe Hospital
- Corewell Health Beaumont Troy Hospital
- Corewell Health Dearborn Hospital
- Corewell Health Trenton Hospital
- Corewell Health Wayne Hospital
- Corewell Health William Beaumont University Hospital
- Corewell Health Blodgett Hospital
- Corewell Health Lakeland Hospital
- Corewell Health Zeeland Hospital
- Covenant HealthCare
- Forest Health Medical Center
- Harper University Hospital
- Henry Ford Hospital
- Henry Ford Jackson Hospital
- Henry Ford Macomb
- Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital
- Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital
- Hurley Medical Center
- McLaren Flint
- McLaren Macomb
- McLaren Port Huron
- Michigan Medicine
- Munson Medical Center
- MyMichigan Medical Center – Alma
- MyMichigan Medical Center – Midland
- MyMichigan Medical Center - Sault
- Sparrow Health System
- Trinity Health Grand Haven
- Trinity Health Muskegon
- Trinity Health St. Joseph Mercy Livingston
- Trinity Health St. Joseph Mercy Oakland
- Trinity Health St. Mary's, Grand Rapids
- Trinity Health St. Mary Mercy Livonia
- University of Michigan Health - West

Michigan Bariatric Surgery Collaborative (MBSC)



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You are invited to take part in your hospital's efforts to improve the quality of care for patients who have bariatric (weight-loss) surgery. Please read this brochure carefully. You should talk to your doctor or to the staff at your hospital to ask them any questions that you have about the MBSC project.

What is the Michigan Bariatric Surgery Collaborative?

The Michigan Bariatric Surgery Collaborative, or MBSC, is a group of hospitals and surgeons that perform bariatric surgery in Michigan. Currently, forty hospitals are taking part in the project. The project is funded by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network.



What is the goal of the MBSC project?

The goal of the MBSC project is to improve the quality of care for patients undergoing bariatric surgery. To do this, the participating hospitals submit data to the MBSC registry database. Three times a year, the group meets to examine this data and to design and make changes in patient care, which will produce better results for bariatric surgery patients.

Why am I being asked to join this project?

All patients undergoing bariatric surgery at participating hospitals are being asked to join the project.

What exactly will I have to do to participate?

If you join the project, you will be asked to complete several surveys. There will be no changes to your clinical care.



What kind of information will be collected in this project?

The type of information collected will include:

- Information from your medical records about your medical history, care, and clinical course following bariatric surgery
- Contact information, such as your name and address (so we can mail you follow-up surveys)
- Information about you and your health before and after bariatric surgery

What kind of questions will I need to answer?

Some of the things you will be asked include questions about your current medications and your quality of life. You will also be asked some personal questions about yourself, such as your marital and employment status. You may refuse to answer any questions for any reason.

How much time will be needed to take part in this project? When will my participation be over?

Each survey should take about 10-15 minutes to complete. We ask you to complete one survey before your surgery. On the 1-year, 2-year, 3-year, 4-year and 5-year anniversary of your surgery, we ask you to complete follow-up surveys which will be sent to you. After the 5-year survey, your participation will end.