



Jewish Bariatric Care

Why choose Jewish Bariatric Care?

Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital and Louisville Surgical Bariatric Associates have developed a program designed exclusively for the care and management of the LAP-BAND® System patient. The program includes:

- A multidisciplinary team committed to providing the highest level of care at every phase of the program, including: surgeons, bariatric coordinator, dietitian and exercise physiologists
- Access to psychological services is available
- Immediate surgery dates are available for self-pay patients or, for those utilizing insurance, after approval is received
- Most surgeries done on an outpatient basis
- Pre-operative evaluation and all follow-up care provided by the surgeons
- Pre-operative testing, all done in one day
- Six-week post-operative exercise program
- Ongoing post-operative support available with bariatric nurses, dietician and exercise physiologist
- Monthly support group meetings

Jewish Bariatric Care at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital has been designated a Center of Excellence by the American Society for Bariatric Surgery.



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Drs. John Olsofka, Vincent Lusco, III and Bryce Schuster of Louisville Surgical Bariatric Associates, (and surgeons for Jewish Bariatric Care at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth Hospital), are board-certified general surgeons with special training in advanced laparoscopy. All have received specific training in the surgical placement of the LAP-BAND® System, and this group has performed thousands of LAP-BAND® procedures.

Dr. John Olsofka has been in practice with Louisville Surgical Associates since 1999. He completed undergraduate training at Western Kentucky University, attended the University of Louisville School of Medicine, and remained in Louisville for completion of his general surgery training. Dr. Olsofka is board certified in General Surgery and has a special interest in minimally invasive surgical techniques. He maintains a teaching affiliation with the University of Louisville and is known nationally as a clinical instructor for Laparoscopic Hernias. He is a member of the American Society of Bariatric Surgeons, the Louisville Surgical Society, the Greater Louisville Medical Society and the Kentucky Medical Association.

Dr. Vincent Lusco, III graduated from the University of Texas Health Science Center and completed his residency at the University of Louisville in general surgery. He received extensive training in advanced laparoscopy and bariatric procedures, including assisting Dr. Jeff Allen with the placement of the first laparoscopic adjustable band in May of 2001, in Louisville, KY.

He joined Louisville Surgical Associates in July 2003, and along with Dr. Olsofka started Louisville Surgical Bariatric Associates. Dr. Lusco is a member of the Louisville Surgical Society, the American Society of Bariatric Surgery, the Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons and the Kentucky Medical Association and Greater

Louisville Medical Society. He has received several awards during his residency including the Abrahms-Waterman award for most compassionate surgical resident.

Dr. Bryce Schuster is a native of Louisville and completed his surgical training as the Chief Administrative Resident at the University of Louisville Department of Surgery. As an undergraduate, he attended the University of Michigan where he graduated with honors and subsequently returned home to attend the University of Louisville School of Medicine, where he graduated AOA (National Honor Medical Society). During his surgical training he received several awards and honors including the William L. Brohm Award for outstanding performance by a Surgical Resident.

From our patients:

Mary Maupin -

“I’m so happy! There were times in life that I sincerely doubted I would ever feel that way. Mentally and physically, my struggle with my weight was a battle I thought I would lose – I weighed 280 lbs. and wore a size 24. I had LAP-BAND® surgery May 11, 2005, and I diligently followed the bariatric program at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth. It took about 16 months to reach my weight loss goal of 140 lbs, and currently I maintain my weight at about 135-140 lbs. and can wear a size 4. The benefits from having this surgery are too numerous to name, but I can say that I have gained better health, more self-confidence and peace with myself than I ever thought was possible.”

Terry Ronayne, (Team Member Jewish Hospital Medical Center Southwest)

“I was diagnosed with congestive heart failure a couple of years ago. I was on so many medications that I felt horrible all the time. I had LAP-BAND® surgery, and I already feel like I’ve gotten my life back because my energy level

has increased so much. It’s incredible how much my mental outlook has improved in such a short time. I’ll never be able to express how grateful I am to the bariatric surgeons at Sts. Mary & Elizabeth for helping people change their lives for the better.”

What is LAP-BAND®?

The LAP-BAND® System is an adjustable gastric band designed to help you lose excess body weight, improve weight-related health conditions and enhance quality of life. It reduces the stomach capacity and restricts the amount of food that can be consumed at one time. The LAP-BAND® System procedure does not require stomach cutting and stapling or gastrointestinal rerouting. It is also an adjustable and reversible weight-loss surgery and has been approved for use by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The name “LAP-BAND” comes from the surgical technique used, laparoscopic, and the name of the implanted medical device, gastric band. The LAP-BAND® System is a silicone ring designed to be placed around the upper part of the stomach and filled with saline on its inner surface. This creates a new, smaller stomach pouch that can hold only a small amount of food. As a result, you eat less and lose weight. The procedure is outpatient and takes less than an hour. Most patients are able to return to normal activity in one week. It is also completely reversible, and is safe for women who may become pregnant.



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