

LYN (LAP-BAND[®] System patient): I had the health issues. By the time I had the surgery I had sleep apnea, high blood pressure and high cholesterol.

MICHELE (LAP-BAND[®] System patient): I come from a family that, we've had obesity related deaths.

KORY (LAP-BAND[®] System patient): I was on medication for high cholesterol and my blood sugar was starting to creep up.

DUANE (LAP-BAND[®] System patient): I was heading for a major heart attack.

JOHN DIXON (Expert on Obesity & Bariatric Surgery): Obesity is a very serious disorder, which can lead to quite serious health effects, particularly metabolic effects if people wear their weight around the central parts of their body.

LYN (LAP-BAND[®] System patient): It was a problem and you wake up and like "Pshhh" you know, it's terrible it's a horrible thing sleep apnea. High blood pressure will kill you, high cholesterol will kill you.

LAURA BALDWIN (Bariatric Coordinator): A lot of people who suffer from obesity also have other what we call co-morbid conditions such as diabetes, high blood pressure, sleep apnea. Most of the time those conditions are drastically improved if not resolved after weight loss surgery.