

## **Bariatric Program of Excellence**

The Bariatric Program of Excellence offers a multidisciplinary approach to obesity treatment. By using evidence-based practice strategies and tools, along with the integration of clinical expertise, patient values, and the best research evidence into the decision-making process, we partner with our patients to maximize success while minimizing risks.

The Bariatric Program of Excellence is a collaborative partnership with Overlake Medical Center. As one of the highest volume bariatric centers in Washington, this joint accredited collaboration has consistently earned the Healthgrades Bariatric Surgery Excellence Award. This award recognizes programs among the top 10% of hospitals evaluated in the nation. In 2022, we were the only hospital in the state of Washington to receive this designation. Our program is the only one in Washington to achieve a five-star rating for the sixth consecutive year.

## **Program Components:**

- MBSAQIP Accreditation
- Hybrid virtual program consisting of in-person and video visits (100% virtual education classes and support groups)
- Multidisciplinary team featuring surgeons, physician assistants, registered nurses, medical assistants, a clinical operations manager, and service line medical director.
- Shared Decision-Making tools for individualized goal setting in partnership with the Kaiser Permanente Washington Health Research Institute
- Patient Focused Program, utilizing a self-paced journey with no penalty for exceeding estimated program completion.
- Zoom Platform for all virtual patient education classes/group class, transitioned to online video classes in January 2024.

## **Our team**



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