



FACT SHEET

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AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METABOLIC & BARIATRIC SURGERY (ASMBS)

OVERVIEW

- ASMBS is the largest non-profit medical organization in the nation dedicated to metabolic and bariatric surgery; founded in 1983
- The vision of the ASMBS is to improve the public health and well being of society by lessening the burden of the disease of obesity and obesity-related diseases throughout the world

MISSION & PURPOSE

- To advance the art and science of metabolic and bariatric surgery by continually improving the quality and safety of care and treatment of people with obesity and related diseases by:
 - Improving the care and treatment of people suffering from obesity
 - Advancing the science and understanding of metabolic and bariatric surgery
 - Fostering communication between health professionals on obesity and obesity-related diseases
 - Being the recognized authority and resource on metabolic and bariatric surgery
 - Advocating for health care policy that ensures patient access to high quality prevention and treatment of obesity
 - Being a highly valued specialty society that serves the educational and professional needs of the society's diverse membership

LEADERSHIP

- **President:** Samer Mattar, MD, FASMBS, Medical Director, Swedish Weight Loss Services in Seattle
- **President-Elect:** Eric DeMaria, MD, FASMBS, Surgeon at Bon Secours Maryview Medical Center in Portsmouth and Bon Secours DePaul Medical Center in Norfolk
- **Past President:** Stacy Brethauer, MD, FASMBS, Associate Professor of Surgery, Cleveland Clinic Lerner College of Medicine, Program Director, Bariatric Surgery Fellowship, Cleveland Clinic
- **Secretary/Treasurer:** Matthew Hutter, MD, FASMBS, Assistant Professor in Surgery at Harvard Medical School and Surgeon at Massachusetts General Hospital
- ASMBS Executive Director: Georgeann Mallory, RD

MEMBERSHIP

- ASMBS has nearly 4,000 members including general surgeons and integrated healthcare professionals practicing in the field of metabolic and bariatric surgery

OFFICIAL SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL

- *Surgery for Obesity and Related Diseases (SOARD)*

WEBSITE: www.asmb.org