



# METABOLIC BENEFITS OF BARIATRIC SURGERY AND MEDICINE

CABPS Annual Meeting in Conjunction with IFSO NAC and DS CONSENSUS

4th Annual Obesity Conference

2nd International Consensus Conference on Duodenal Switch



L'ASSOCIATION CANADIENNE des MEDECINS et CHIRURGIENS BARIATRIQUES  
The CANADIAN ASSOCIATION of BARIATRIC PHYSICIANS and SURGEONS



## Welcome Message from the ICCDS Conference Chair

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Consensus Conference on Duodenal Switch (ICCDs) and the American Society for Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery – Canadian Chapter (ASMBS C), we are very pleased to welcome you to the 2017 Duodenal Switch Conference.

This year's DS Conference offers two full days of thought-provoking presentations featuring a faculty of well-known international and Canadian speakers who will address a variety of DS-related issues. It will include live surgeries, edited video presentations (offering tips and tricks to help you manage DS surgeries and deal with follow-ups), and a session for allied health practitioners on nutrition for DS. All sessions except the live surgeries offer you the opportunity to engage speakers and colleagues in discussion and, overall, will give you insight on DS, including outcomes and results and the management of side effects and complications. We are very excited to be able to offer this to you.

In addition to the sessions "Outcomes, Results" and "Management of Side Effects and Complications", you will hear from specialists on "Conversion: When, Why and How?" On Thursday evening, we are offering a completely social session – our Meet the Faculty Wine & Cheese Reception – where you will have an opportunity to talk with many of faculty members while building and enhancing your contacts and friendships with others in the field in a relaxed setting. We also hope you will take advantage of the nutrition breaks to network. Being able to "meet and mingle" with your colleagues socially is an excellent way of supplementing the more structured learning of the Conference sessions.

On behalf of all the members of the Organizing Committee, we extend our heart-felt appreciation to everyone who has contributed to making the second annual Conference a great success: our speakers, presenters, moderators, sponsors and, of course, you, our participants. We hope you find the Conference to be an enjoyable, enriching and learning-filled experience, and leave with insights you can use in your practice for the benefit of your patients.

Sincerely,

**AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METABOLIC AND BARIATRIC SURGERY  
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