

2025 FACT SHEET -- AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR METABOLIC AND BARIATRIC SURGERY

Overview

- American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS), founded in 1983, is the largest non-profit medical organization in the nation dedicated to metabolic and bariatric surgery and comprehensive obesity care.
- Its vision is to improve public health and well-being by reducing the burden of obesity and related diseases throughout the world.
- ASMBS has more than 4,000 members including bariatric and general surgeons and integrated healthcare professionals, including nurses, dietitians, psychologists and internists.

ASMBS MISSION

- To advance the art and science of metabolic and bariatric surgery by:
 - o Improving the care and treatment of people with the disease of obesity
 - o Advancing the science and understanding of metabolic and bariatric surgery
 - o Fostering communication between health professionals on obesity
 - o Being the recognized authority and resource on metabolic and bariatric surgery
 - o Promoting healthcare policy that enables access to obesity evidence-based obesity treatments.
 - o Delivering top-tier education and professional support to the society's diverse membership

LEADERSHIP

- **ASMBS President**: Ann M. Rogers, MD, FASMBS, FACS, DABS-FPMBS, Director, Penn State Health Surgical Weight Loss Programs; Professor of Surgery at Penn State College of Medicine; Vice Chair for Leadership and Professional Development, Dept. of Surgery at the Penn State Hershey Medical Center
- **ASMBS President-Elect:** Richard Peterson, MD, MPH, FACS, FASMBS, DABS-FPMBS; Professor and Chief of Bariatric and Metabolic Surgery at UT Health San Antonio, TX
- **ASMBS CEO:** Diane M. Enos, EdD, MPH, RDN, CAE, FAND
- ASMBS IH Section President: Heidi Bednarchuk, MSN, APRN, CNS, CBN, FASMBS-IH
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