

Review of: "Impact of Telemedicine on Post-Bariatric Surgery Outcomes and Patient Satisfaction During the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Retrospective Observational Study"

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The authors need to justify and elaborate on the parameters chosen as surgical outcomes, i.e., indications of readmission, types of complications, and indications for reoperations should be added. Please expand the meaning of RYGP. How was the assessment done by the parameters chosen for satisfaction with telemedicine? The authors have to mention the reasons for readmission in one patient and the reasons for visit to the emergency department and their outcomes. The authors need to clarify the use of 3 years as follow-up in this study and what happened in the course of 1-2 years. There is a need to outline the surgical procedures performed for patients enrolled in this study, as only one procedure, i.e., RYGP, is mentioned. A brief outline of this procedure should be added. The authors need to give reasons for the control of comorbidities after 3 years with telemedicine follow-up. The authors have to add the parameters of surgical safety outcomes measured and the types of complications encountered in the results. Please add the names of medications used to control dyslipidemia and OSAS. The authors need to clarify how they avoided bias in their sample population and mention the prevalence of outcomes after the completion of their study. What was the exclusion criteria chosen in this study? The conclusion should emphasize the positive points about the study and should be rewritten. Some lines should be added to highlight the incidence, mortality, and etiology of the COVID virus in Portugal in the introduction.

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