Healthcare expenditures in people with type 2 diabetes undergoing bariatric-metabolic surgery

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# **Bariatric-metabolic surgery and T2DM**

#### **Effective treatment in terms of medical outcomes**

- Lower glycated haemoglobin (HbA1c)
- Lower fasting plasma glucose levels
- Reduction in cardiovascular disease (CVD) events
- Improved glomerular filtration rate and reduced albuminuria
- Improved vibration sensation



# **Bariatric-metabolic surgery and T2DM**

#### **Cost-effectiveness**

- Cost savings are possible
- Evidence on associated changes in healthcare expenditures and utilisation is missing



# **Retrospective matched cohort study**

# Surgery group Control group



1,751

3,502

52 ± 9 years

65%



## **Results – Total healthcare utilisation and expenditures**

Table 1:

Overview of the percentage of patients using healthcare (utilisation), median expenditures per person for the people using healthcare and total expenditures of all healthcare per year for the surgery group and control

group.

		Surgery gro (N=1,751)	•	Control group (N=3,502)				
Year	Utilisation	Median expenditures	Total expenditures	Utilisation	Median expenditures	Total expenditures		
2013	99.7	€ 3,156	€ 9,529,918	99.5	€ 3,174	€ 22,330,291		
2014	99.8	€ 3,592	€ 10,760,613	99.9	€ 3,311	€ 22,885,705		
2015	100	€ 4,526	€ 12,649,843	99.9	€ 2,784	€ 20,727,222		
2016	100	€ 13,070	€ 26,359,278	100	€ 3,033	€ 22,862,161		
2017	99.9	€ 3,616	€ 11,895,381	99.6	€ 2,990	€ 23,535,408		
2018	99.8	€ 3,119	€ 11,019,142	99.4	€ 3,219	€ 24,148,916		
2019	99.2	€ 3,120	€ 11,234,337	99.1	€ 3,434	€ 24,846,936		



#### **Results – Pharmaceutical care**

Table 3:

Percentage of patients using pharmaceutical care (utilisation), median expenditures of all medication, and diabetes medication per year per patient for the surgery group and

control group.

	Surgery group (1,751)						Control group (n=3,502)					
Year	Utilisation	Expenditures					114:1:4:	Expenditures				
		Total	Oral	Insulin	Oral/insulin	Other	Utilisation	Total	Oral	Insulin	Oral/insulin	Other
2013	98.2	€ 686	€ 22	€ 822	€ 886	€0	97.2	€ 605	€ 17	€ 590	€ 648	€0
2014	99.0	€ 800	€ 23	€ 695	€ 961	€0	98.5	€ 649	€ 18	€ 468	€ 654	€0
2015	99.7	€ 957	€ 26	€ 947	€ 986	€0	98.7	€ 678	€ 19	€ 596	€ 630	€0
2016	100	€ 861	€ 50	€ 474	€ 650	€0	98.7	€ 723	€ 68	€ 526	€772	€0
2017	98.8	€ 442	€ 37	€ 354	€ 415	€0	98.1	€770	€70	€ 640	€ 769	€ 1,654
2018	98.2	€ 419	€ 48	€ 358	€ 470	€0	97.6	€ 798	€ 85	€ 662	€778	€ 1,813
2019	97.2	€ 494	€ 56	€ 449	€ 539	€0	97.3	€ 936	€ 95	€ 650	€ 807	€ 1,785

Total: all medication; Oral: oral blood glucose lowering medication (A10B); Insulin: insulin (A10A); Oral/insulin: a combination of oral blood glucose lowering medication; Other: combination medication (A10AE54 or A10AE56).



### **Results – Pharmaceutical care**

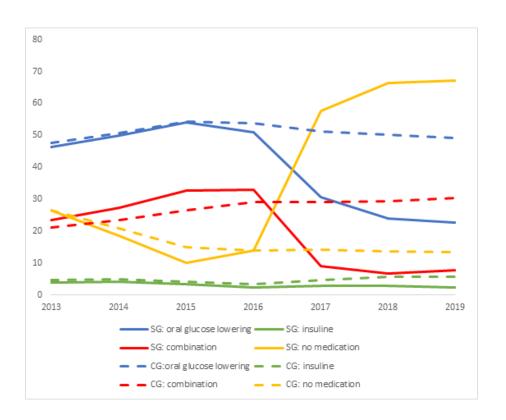




Figure 2: Percentage of people with utilizing healthcare for micro- and macrovascular complications in the surgery and control group.



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#### **Conclusion**

#### Follow-up 3 years

- Total healthcare expenditures stabilized in surgery group, while in the matched control group the expenditures rose
- Medication use for T2DM decreased in patients who underwent surgery
- Percentage of people utilizing healthcare for microvascular complications of T2DM continued to increase in the control group



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# Questions?



