



Royal College of Physicians

Professor Richard Welbourn Biography

Richard Welbourn is Past-President of the British Obesity and Metabolic Surgery Society (BOMSS) and was honoured to be the Congress President and Scientific Co-Chair for the world congress of the International Federation for Surgery for Obesity, held in London in 2017. He founded the UK National Bariatric Surgery Registry (NBSR) in 2009 and was Chair 2013-2017.

He authored the IFSO Global Registry reports. He is the lead surgeon on the NIHR-funded By-Band-Sleeve multicentre RCT that to November 2017 recruited 900 patients. He established bariatric surgery in Musgrove Park Hospital in 2014 and is now one of 4 consultants in a tertiary referral unit that has done more than 3,000 procedures. Musgrove became the first International Center of Excellence of the US Surgical Review Corporation in 2009. Nationally his other roles for obesity include membership of the NHS Clinical Reference Group, NICE Clinical Guidance CG189 and NICE Quality Standards Advisory Committees QS127. He also led Royal College of Surgeons Commissioning Guidance for NHS secondary care Weight Assessment and Management Clinics 2014 and 2017. He is an Hon Reader in the School of Social Medicine, Bristol University and his H-index is 30.

Presentation Summary

His planned talk covers an up to date review of bariatric surgery in the UK, the By-Band-Sleeve RCT, NICE guidance, data from the NBSR and commissioning issues.