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Tuesday, 29 August
Hotel Royal Continental | Via Partenope 38, Napoli, Italy

09:00–09:10 Welcome to the day
Mary O’Kane (UK), Fausta Micanti (Italy)

09:10–11:00 MODULE 1: The patient experience
Moderators: Yitka Graham (UK), Fausta Micanti (Italy)

09:10–09:25 What can we learn from patients’ experiences?
Violeta Moize (Spain)

09:25–09:40 Addressing patients’ expectations
Ken Clare (UK)

09:40–10:10 Where is psychological input of most value – before or after bariatric surgery?
David Sarwer (UK), Eugenia Romano (UK)

10:10–10:40 Addictive behaviours – are they an issue for bariatric surgery?
Eva Martins Conceição (Portugal), Valentina Ivezaj (USA)

10:40–11:00 Panel discussion

11:00–11:30 Coffee break

11:30–13:00 MODULE 2: Nutritional considerations
Moderators: Silvia Leite Faria (Brazil), Jumana Bashiti (Jordan)

11:30–11:35 Welcome
Silvia Leite Faria (Brazil)

11:35–11:50 Sarcopenia – Is protein the answer to prevention?
Luigi Schiavo (Italy)

11:50–12:05 Malabsorptive procedures–managing complex nutritional issues
Manisha Sharma (UK)

12:05–12:20 Vitamin B12 and thiamine. Is there a link with depression and neurological disorders?
Silvia Leite Faria (Brazil)
12:20–12:40  Small intestine bacterial overgrowth - the importance of detection and treatment  
Julie Parrott (USA)

12:40–13:00  Panel discussion

13:00–14:00  Lunch

14:00–15:30  MODULE 3: Challenging Surgical Complications: Recognition, Assessment and Management  
Moderators: Tracy Martinez (USA), Andrea Schroeder (New Zealand), Nate Sann (USA)

  • Early Complications - cause, risk, assessment, and treatment
  14:00–14:10  Post operative leak following Gastric Bypass and Sleeve Gastrectomy  
Roberta Maselli (Italy)

  • Intraluminal and extraluminal postoperative hemorrhage  
Alan Wittgrove (USA)

  • Late Complications - cause, risk, assessment, and treatment
  14:20–14:30  Internal Hernia  
Nate Sann (USA)

14:30–14:40  Marginal Ulcer  
Andrea Schroeder (New Zealand)

14:40–14:50  Afferent Limb  
Tracy Martinez (USA)

14:50–15:00  Helicobacter pylori - risks, diagnosis, treatment and follow up  
Rossella Palma (Italy)

15:00–15:30  Q&A Roundtable Discussion  
Debate Leaders: Nate Sann (USA), Tracy Martinez (USA)

15:30–16:30  MODULE 4: Barriers to curbing weight recurrence  
Moderators: Mary O’ Kane (UK), Fausta Micanti (Italy)

  Roundtable Discussion  
Manisha Sharma (UK), Ken Clare (UK), Jumana Bashiti (Jordan),  
Andrea Schroeder (New Zealand), Marcon Emilian Rejane (Brazil), Eugenia Romano (UK)

16:30–16:35  Closing Remarks