



COALITION CONTRE  
l'obésité morbide

**Petition**

**For greater access to bariatric surgery**

**:: testimonials of signatories ::**

“Waiting for an operation takes 3 to 5 years. It’s too long! I’m desperate!”

Richard, Beauharnois

“When will I get my dignity back?”

Robert, Mille-Îles

“Obese people don’t live, we just exist.”

Nathalie, Hochelaga-Maisonneuve

“My weight is 400 pounds and I have sleep apnea: I stop breathing 107 times/hour.”

Brigitte, Joliette

“Bariatric surgery saved my life. I no longer suffer from high blood pressure, high cholesterol and diabetes.”

Danielle, Arthabaska

“My colleague suffers from morbid obesity. My heartfelt wish is that she gets operated soon.”

Anne, Gaspé

“I’m 44. My excessive weight prevents me from earning a living and to take care of my little family.”

Sylvie, Johnson

“My son-in-law is 20 years old and weighs 400 pounds. He is waiting for a bariatric surgery. Since childhood, his life has been put on hold.”

Rachel, Deux-Montagnes

“I was out of breath after the slightest effort. I really thought I’d die before I’d get my turn in the O.R.!”

Thérèse, Laval-des-Rapides



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“My excess weight is too much to bear. I’m afraid I’ll have to stop working.”  
France, Sherbrooke

“I was slowly dying. Now my self-assurance is up, I’m completing my studies and I feel all around much better in society.”  
Marie-Ève, St-Hyacinthe

“This surgery must be viewed as an investment rather than an expense item.”  
Alain, Matane

“One has a sinking feeling that cannot be stopped.”  
Manon, Vachon

“At the end of the day, I’m just exhausted. What really frightens me is that I may just die from this!”  
Karine, Lévis

“I have multiple sclerosis; without my bariatric surgery, I’d be in a wheelchair by now.”  
Manon, Taillon

“The psychological pain is just enormous!”  
Annick, Prévost

“Before her operation, my best friend was shying away from people’s eyes and derogatory comments. Today, she’s in great shape and just gave birth to a little girl who will soon turn one.”  
Mélanie, Taschereau

“I used to stay home and away from family reunions because I thought I didn’t fit anywhere in society.”  
Johanne, Sherbrooke

“It completely eliminated sports and sex from my life. Obesity not only punishes the one who suffers from it but all those around this person.”  
Louise, Blainville

“A friend of mine underwent a bariatric surgery. Today, she’s beautiful, radiant and happy. We wish that others like her will be also able to enjoy life.”  
Éliane, Ungava

