# LAPAROS COPIC VS. ROBOTIC SURGERY:

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FOR THE PATIENT? WHICH IS BEST FOR THE SURGEON? WHICH IS BEST FOR THE HOSPITAL?

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#### WHICH IS BEST FOR THE SURGEON?

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- Laparoscopic Surgery
  - Proposed Limitations
    - Two Dimensional Imaging
    - Restricted Range Of Motion
    - Poor Ergonomics Positioning for the Surgeon

#### Robotic Surgery

- Proposed Reversed Limitations
  - Three Dimensional Imaging
  - Unrestricted range of Motion
  - Eliminates poor Ergonomics Positioning

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- Conclusion ????
  - 2000 Robotic Surgery is superior to conventional Laparoscopic Surgery due to its significant Improvements in Visibility and Manipulation
  - 2008 Gold Standard Radical Prostatectomies

### WHICH IS BEST FOR THE PATIENT?

- Nationwide Inpatients Sample Data Project
- US Rise is Robotic Procedures .8% in 2008 4.3%. in 2009
  - Overall Robotic Surgery Had:
    - Lower Mortality Rate (.097%) per 100,000 patients
      - Laparoscopic 0.48%
      - Open. 0..92%
    - Significantly Shorter Hospital Stay (4.9%)
      - Open (6.1days)
    - Lower Charges (median \$30,540)
      - Laparoscopic (\$34,537)
      - Open (\$46,704)
        - Am Surg (2013)79:553-560

- Comparative Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analysis
  - Jan 2014 Medline, PubMed, Cochrane Library
  - Robotics Search 6737 Papers
    - Conclusion: Complication Rates were not higher but OR times where!

- R vs. L for Gastrectomy for Ca
  - Meta-Analysis of 7 studies N=1967
  - R = 404 O= 718 L= 845
    - Robot Less Blood Loss
    - Robot Less Post OP LOS
    - Robot Greater Cost
    - Robot Increased OR Time
    - Robot No Difference in Nodes

- R vs. L for Roux-en-Y- Gastric Bypass
  - Meta-Analysis of 10 studies N=2557
  - R = No Difference in Leaks, Bleeding, Stricture and Reoperation did not Differ Significantly

- R vs. L for Anti Reflux
  - N=12,079
  - R = 339 O= 2168 L=9572
    - No Difference in Mortality or Morbidity
    - No Difference in LOS
    - Higher in Cost
    - Higher Readmission Rate

- R vs. L for Colon Rectal Procedures
  - 8 Studies. N=854
  - R = 344 L=510
    - R = Lower Conversion Rate
    - No Difference in LOS
    - Increase in OR Time
    - Increased in Cost
    - No Difference in M and M rates

#### WHICH IS BEST FOR THE HOSPITAL?

- R vs. L for Hysterectomy
  - Meta- Analysis for Benign Disease
    - No Difference in Conversion Rate
    - No Difference in LOS
    - Increase in OR Time
    - Increase GU Complication Rate
    - Increase in Cost

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Conclusion 1:

# PAROSCOPIC

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Robotic Surgery:

May Not Necessarily Be Higher in Cost

Complication Rates May not be Higher

Operative Times are Generally Higher

Blood Loss, Conversion Rates and Hospital LOS in general May be Shorter



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#### Conclusion 2:

Robotic Over Laparoscopy in General Not Better High Quality Prospective Randomized Trials are Urgently Needed

### **QUESTIONS**

- A.
- Laparoscopic surgery limitation include all of the following except:
- 1. Two dimensional imaging 2. Restricted range of motion and of the instruments
- 3. Poor ergonomics positioning of surgeon
- 4. Haptic Capability
- Answer: 4
- B:
- Based on a nationwide inpatient sample data project which of the following is incorrect?
- 1. Overall robotic surgery had a higher mortality rate than non robotic surgical procedures
- 2. . Robotic surgery had a significant shorter hospital stay when compared to open procedures
- 3. Robotic surgery had lower charges when compared to laparoscopic procedures
- 4. Robotic surgery lower charges when compared to open procedures
- Answer: 1