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As the lap band surgery begins, a lap band surgeon will use a laparoscopic approach where several tiny incisions are made around the stomach area. The lap band device sections off the stomach into a pair of pouches that are joined by a slim passage area. This slows digestion and limits the consumption of food the overweight person will eat.

The Lap Band procedure aids overweight patients in decreasing their appetite and allowing them to feel full sooner while eating less. In the end, the patient sees why Lap Band Worked.

In breaking it down, the lap band surgical procedure is made up of three parts:

Silicone or silastic (pliable soft plastic) band;

Reservoir or "port"; and

A tube connecting the band to the port.