



From left back: Dr. Kartik Gohil; Lita Brown, PA;
Dr. Harvey Rainville; Dr. Cynthia Weber; Dr. Michael Cudworth
From left front: Dr. Channing Chin; Lavinia Couture, PA;
Sharon Meltzer, PA; Dr. Naveen Ballem

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Dr. Ballem | 13
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Naveen Ballem, MD, FACS | Kartik Gohil, MD, FACS Harvey Rainville, MD, FACS

“Treat patients with empathy and kindness because they’re dealing with difficult issues that affect many aspects of their lives,” says Dr. Naveen Ballem, a bariatric surgeon who, along with Dr. Harvey Rainville and Dr. Kartik Gohil, provides comprehensive weight loss solutions.

“We do every type of weight loss procedure that exists today,” says Dr. Ballem. “We are one of the busiest robotic bariatric centers on the East Coast.”

Dr. Ballem is director of Bariatric Surgery for Clara Maass Medical Center and Hunterdon Medical Center. His colleague, Dr. Rainville, was a pioneer in both robotic and bariatric surgery and currently trains surgeons throughout the United States in robotic surgery. Dr. Gohil is fellowship trained in minimally invasive surgery with expertise in robotic, advance laparoscopic and endoscopic surgeries for weight loss, complex hernia, colon

diseases and gall bladder diseases.

This year their team joined NYBG, the leading bariatric practice in the country with offices throughout New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut.

“I see patients who couldn’t walk four blocks now able to run in marathons. What’s more rewarding than that?” says Dr. Ballem.

HOSPITAL AFFILIATIONS: Clara Maass Medical Center, Belleville; Hunterdon Medical Center, Flemington; Hackensack University Medical Center, Mountain-side Medical Center, Montclair; East Orange General Hospital. **MEDICAL TRAINING:** Dr. Ballem: Columbia University’s Harlem Hospital Center (residency), Cleveland Clinic (fellowship), University of Alabama at Birmingham (fellowship). Dr. Rainville: Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Montefiore Hospital (residency), University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (fellowship). Dr. Gohil: Michigan State University (residency) Stony Brook University Hospital (fellowship).

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