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Dr. John Hillery,
President,
Medical Council,
Lynn House,
Portobello Court,
Lower Rathmines Road,
Rathmines,
Dublin 6.

Re: Obesity Surgery

Dear Dr. Hillery,

I have received this correspondence from Professor Oscar Traynor and I feel this matter should be addressed by the Medical Council.

The following issues merit consideration:-

1. Should obesity surgery which is high-risk be performed in a cosmetic clinic.
2. Should obesity surgery be performed in the context of a multi-disciplinary team.
3. The surgery is being performed by a visiting surgeon who normally resides outside the country and is not available nor has made arrangements for management of complications which arise.

I think this is a matter of immediate importance.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Gerald C. O'Sullivan

