This next set of questions asks for your opinions about bariatric surgery for the treatment of severe obesity in adolescents 13-17 years old.

When we say severe obesity, we mean at least 100 pounds overweight.

Bariatric surgery is surgery on the stomach and/or intestines. This surgery helps severely obese people to lose weight, by limiting the amount of food that can be eaten and digested.

Q1. What is the youngest age at which you think bariatric surgery should be an option for severely obese patients?

   Younger than 13 years old
   13 yrs old
   14 yrs old
   15 yrs old
   16 yrs old
   17 yrs old
   18 yrs old
   Older than 18 years
   Bariatric surgery should not be considered at any age

Q2. What is the minimum amount of time a severely obese adolescent should attend a weight loss program before having bariatric surgery?

   Less than 3 months
   At least 3 months
   At least 6 months
   At least 12 months
   At least 2 years
   More than 2 years
   No time in a weight loss program should be required