



Don't miss the global unveiling of a landmark initiative that redefines clinical obesity with its signs and symptoms as any other chronic and systemic illness. This new evidence-based framework is poised to transform surgical care and clinical management by addressing long-standing limitations in obesity diagnosis and management.

Global Launch of *The Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinology* Commission on Diagnostic Criteria of Clinical Obesity

16 January at 1pm - 5pm (GMT)

The highly anticipated report from the Commission on Clinical Obesity will be presented to a global audience during a hybrid launch event on January 16, 2025. Commissioners will discuss the implications for practice and policy with invited experts and other stakeholders in London, UK, as well as at various locations around the world. The event will be live-streamed for those attending remotely.

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Attendance is free but registration is required to receive details of the online platform. Registration will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. A waiting list will be created if capacity is exceeded. **Register as early as possible if you want to secure your online access to this event.** Presentations and discussion will begin from 1:00 pm (GMT) with event platform open from 12:30pm (GMT)

About The Commission on Clinical Obesity

Chaired by Prof Francesco Rubino, King's College London, the Commission involves **56 leading international experts**, including IFSO President, Dr Ricardo Cohen and other leading IFSO members.

The initiative has been organised in partnership with King's Health Partners (KHP) Diabetes, Endocrinology and Obesity (London, UK). The commission's report will be published in a future issue of *The Lancet Diabetes & Endocrinology*.

Endorsed by IFSO and 75 other medical organisations around the world - the Commission sets out a new evidence-based definition of clinical obesity, intended as a chronic, systemic illness directly caused by excess adiposity. The proposal is designed to address limitations in the traditional definition and diagnosis of obesity that hinder clinical practice and healthcare policies, resulting in individuals with obesity not receiving the care they need. By establishing a medically coherent framework for disease diagnosis, the Commission aims to settle the ongoing dispute around the idea of obesity as a disease, which has been at the centre of one of most controversial and polarising debates in modern medicine.

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