SURGERY VS MEDICATION

LONG TERM
WEIGHT LOSS

MEDICATION REDUCTION

WEIGHT REGAIN

TREATMENT OF DIABETES

MUSCLE LOSS

COST

SURGERY

30% total weight loss

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Most keep 30% total weight loss off long term

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Minimal

Minimal long term cost cheaper than 1 to 2 years on medication

VS MEDICATION

5% total weight loss (weight regain once stopping medication)

+

> 80% from ceasing medication

(back to starting weight or higher)

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20% weight loss is muscle

Life long cost