

We have recently appointed two new surgeons to our Clinical Advisory Board (CAB) - James Halstead and Chris Sutton . The surgeons are both highly-experienced in minimally invasive surgery and since joining the CAB have worked closely with our Design Team on product testing and feedback.

James graduated from the University of Cambridge with a degree in Medicine in 1996 and is trained in cardiothoracic surgery and general surgery, specialising in bariatric and upper gastrointestinal tract surgery. He is now consultant surgeon at Leeds Nuffield hospital. He has developed specialist obesity practise utilising the latest advances in laparoscopic surgery for gastric banding, bypass and sleeve gastrectomy. In 2009, he was awarded a Clinical Excellence Award in recognition of his work in bariatric surgery.

Chris is a Consultant General and Upper Gastrointestinal Surgeon at Spire Leicester Hospital. He specialises in weight loss surgery, upper gastrointestinal surgery and hernia repairs – both laparoscopic and open-end endoscopy, in addition to minor surgical procedures.

He has been awarded the first British Obesity Surgical Society Bariatric Surgical Fellowship in the UK and holds a certificate in Laparoscopic Obesity Surgery from the European School of Laparoscopic Surgery in Brussels. Chris has also gained expertise in laparoscopic gastric cancer surgery during his time in Leeds and by visiting the Cancer Institute Hospital of the Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research in Tokyo.

We are currently in the process of arranging our next CAB meeting at Surgical Innovations and will keep you updated on this over the coming months.