# INTRODUCING A NON-MEDICATION ANTI-REFLUX SYSTEM.

Say GOODBYE to medications and heartburn.

Dr. Michael Hill, F.A.C.S, F.A.S.M.B.S. of the Adirondack Surgical Group, LLP is pleased to introduce the latest in technology in battling G.E.R.D. with this tiny device called the LINX anti-reflux system.

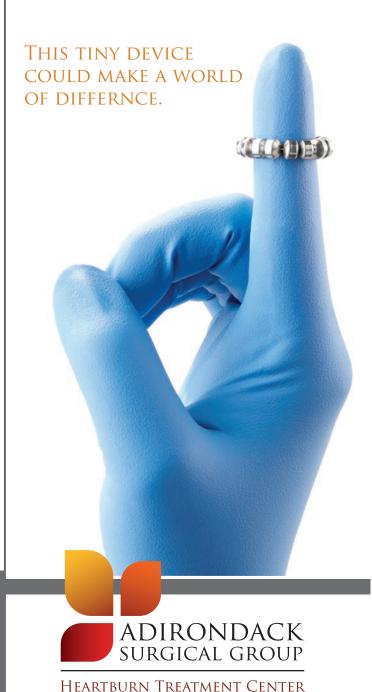


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## SUFFERING FROM HEARTBURN?





#### What Causes GERD?

Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease, or GERD, is a chronic, often progressive condition resulting from a weak Lower Esophageal Sphincter (LES). When left untreated, serious complications can result, including: esophagitis, stricture, Barrett's esophagus, and esophageal cancer.

The LES is a muscle at the junction of the esophagus and stomach that functions as the body's natural barrier to reflux. The LES acts like a valve, allowing food and liquid to pass through to the stomach. Normally, the LES closes immediately after swallowing, preventing reflux.

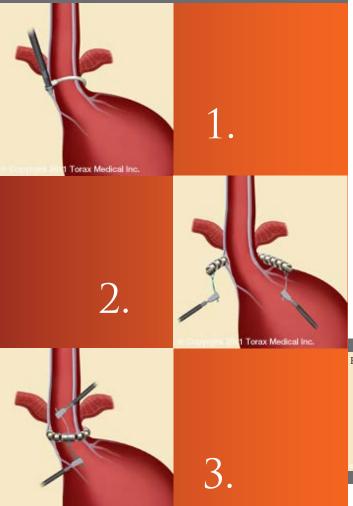
### Symptoms of GERD

People experience symptoms of GERD in a variety of ways. The most common symptom of GERD is heartburn.

Other symptoms may include:

- Regurgitation
- Sore throat
- Cough
- Chest pain

### HOW IS THE LINX SYSTEM IMPLANTED?



The LINX System is placed around the esophagus just above the stomach using a surgical technique called laparoscopy. (See Fig. 1-3).

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#### HOW DOES THE LINX SYSTEM WORK?

The LINX System is a small flexible band of interlinked titanium beads with magnetic cores. The magnetic attraction between the beads is intended to help the LES resist opening to gastric pressures, preventing reflux from the stomach into the esophagus.

(See Fig. 1)

LINX is designed so that swallowing forces temporarily break the magnetic bond, allowing food and liquid to pass normally into the stomach.

(See Fig. 2)

Magnetic attraction of the device is designed to close the LES immediately after swallowing, restoring the body's natural barrier to reflux. (See Fig. 3).



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