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MEMORANDUM: REVISED PRIMARY PCI GUIDELINES

TO: Chief Executive Officers, Principal Investigators, and Data Managers for Non-Surgery-on-Site Hospitals

FROM: Madeleine Biondolillo, MD *MB*
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DATE: December 12, 2014

RE: Revised Primary PCI Guidelines

At its September 4, 2014, meeting the Department's Invasive Cardiac Services Advisory Committee approved the attached revised guidelines for non-cardiac-surgery-on site hospitals that perform primary PCI. These guidelines apply to the eleven* non-SOS sites that applied prior to April 17, 2014, to perform primary PCI. No additional programs will be approved at this time.

Effective February 1, 2015, hospitals should report the revised primary PCI volume and outcome data indicated on the last page of the guidelines to Gail Palmeri at the Bureau of Health Care Safety and Quality at Gail.Palmeri@state.ma.us. This report replaces the primary PCI spreadsheet that hospitals began submitting in September 2013. Attached please find the new format spreadsheet for submission. Sentinel event reporting for non-emergency PCI patients at the non-surgery-on-site hospitals that are allowed to perform those procedures remains the same as described in the July 31, 2013 letter regarding the MASS COMM Trial close-out.

The Department is working toward adding this reporting to that which hospitals already submit electronically via the Health Care Facility Reporting System (HCFRS). We will keep you informed of our progress in achieving that conversion.

Should you have questions about this memorandum, please contact Darrell Villaruz at 617-624-5245 or Darrell.Villaruz@state.ma.us.

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Invasive Cardiac Services Advisory Committee (ICSAC) Members

*Beth Israel Deaconess – Plymouth has a pending application to perform primary PCI, and if approved, the total number of non-SOS sites will be eleven.