TO: Lucy Clarke, Analyst, Determination of Need Program

FROM: Boston Outpatient Surgical Suites, LLC

DATE: February 23, 2024

SUBJECT: Response to clarifying questions, email February, 23, 2024

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1. **Cases vs. Procedures – Page 7 of the application narrative discusses 1,100 pain procedures. In the responses to DoN questions (pg.7), these are referred to as cases in the Table. Please clarify what you mean when you refer to cases and procedures in the application and responses.**
* The reference to 1,100 pain "procedures" on page 7 of the application narrative is a typo and should read 1,100 pain "cases", consistent with the table on page 8 of the application narrative and the table on page 7 of the responses to DoN questions.
1. **Page 2 of the responses includes a Table with cases for 2023, but podiatry is not included, while it is included in the Table in the Application narrative (pg.7).**
* Podiatry Cases were inadvertently included with Orthopedics procedures and cases in the tables on page 2 of the responses. Please see corrected versions below:

| **Specialty** | **2023 Cases** | **2023 % Cases** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Orthopedic Surgery | 3,103 | 91.6% |
| Podiatry | 42 | 1.2% |
| General Surgery | 157 | 4.6% |
| Pain  | 86 | 2.6% |
| **Total 2023 Cases** | **3,388** | **100.0%** |

**Applicant Procedures by Specialty (Jan - Dec 2023)**

| **Specialty** | **2023 Procedures** | **2023 % Procedures** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Orthopedic Surgery | 7,466 | 94.6% |
| Podiatry | 63 | .8% |
| General Surgery | 217 | 2.7% |
| Pain  | 148 | 1.9% |
| **Total 2023 Procedures** | **7,894** | **100.0%** |

1. **I came up with different numbers (highlighted [and underlined]) when calculating the 2020 PSA population Age 20+, which is I believe due to differing numbers for the 55-64 age group. Please confirm.**

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|   | **Age 20+** | **20-24** | **25-34** | **35-44** | **45-54** | **55-64** | **65+** |
| **Obesity Rates** |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| US |   | 19.50% | 30.90% | 35.50% | 38.10% | 36.30% | 29.30% |
| MA |   | 12.60% | 21.40% | 28.90% | 26.10% | 29.60% | 24.90% |
| **2020 PSA Population** |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2020 Population | 3,478,415 | 329,413 | 696,332 | 566,055 | 576,824 | 592,424 | 717,367 |
| Estimated Having Obesity |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| **2025 PSA Population** |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2025 Population | 3,577,167 | 290,875 | 688,932 | 634,425 | 541,733 | 584,605 | 836,597 |
| Estimated Having Obesity |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| 5-Year Change in Obesity |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| 5-Year Change in Obesity % |   |  |   |  |   |  |   |
| **2030 PSA Population** |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2030 Population | 3,661,550 | 275,280 | 664,113 | 675,822 | 564,137 | 542,667 | 939,531 |

* Due to an error in a formula used to create this table, the 55-64 age group population was incorrectly reported, causing the 20+ age group to be calculated incorrectly as well. The numbers highlighted [and underlined] in your table above are correct.