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Letter of Recommendation for Services

Dear Employer-Sponsored Health Plan Administrator,

I am writing to inform you that one or more of your employer-sponsored health plan members has submitted a request for services through one of our BARInet Preferred Provider Network locations. This request was submitted on behalf of your member in an attempt to obtain necessary medical treatment in the form of bariatric surgery which is currently excluded from your employer-sponsored health plan offering.

Studies and statistics show that by failing to provide bariatric surgery services for morbidly obese health plan members can result in steadily increasing member claims costs and an increased risk for those members developing worsening health conditions. Bariatric surgery has proven to significantly reduce the prevalence of weigh-related comorbid conditions including: Type 2 Diabetes, Hypertension, Hyperlipidemia, GERD, Osteoarthritis/Degenerative Joint Disease, Clinical Depression and many more.

BARInet Preferred Provider Network is a unique, exclusive network of bariatric surgeons and healthcare facilities that is clinically integrated to provide bariatric care at the highest level. BARInet PPN is the only bariatric surgery benefit program in America able to include <u>risk-assurance</u> and value-added pricing that incorporates a truly <u>bundled model</u>. We provide bariatric surgery carve-out benefits for small, medium and large self-insured and fully-insured employers. We can also provide one-off, single case agreements for employers looking to provide bariatric services on a case-by-case basis.

If you are interested in learning more about BARInet Preferred Provider Network services, please inquire via email at <u>sales@barinet.com</u> or by phone at **(844) 795-3090**.

Sincerely,

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