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Hugh Straley, MD, Chair  
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Dear Dr. ~~Straley~~ *Hugh*

**SUBJECT: Bree Collaborative Adoption of the Bariatric Surgical Bundled Payment Model and Warranty**

Thank you for your correspondence of November 28, 2016 regarding the Bree Collaborative Adoption of the Bariatric Surgical Bundled Payment Model and Warranty. We have reviewed the accountable payment model and warranty for bariatric and accept the recommendations. The bundle and warranty add value to the Health Technology Clinical Committee determination for bariatric surgery. We are implementing Bree Collaborative recommendations with our contracted partners.

Thank you and the Collaborative for continuing your outstanding efforts to improve health care in Washington. If you have further questions or concerns, please contact Josh Morse, Health Technology Assessment Program Director, by telephone at 360-725-0839 or via email at [josh.morse@hca.wa.gov](mailto:josh.morse@hca.wa.gov).

Sincerely,

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Director