CENTER OF EXCELLENCE IN BODY CONTOURING

In partnership with key opinion leaders and industry professionals, SRC developed the Center of Excellence in Body Contouring (COEBC) program. The COEBC program identifies surgeons and facilities who provide excellent postbariatric plastic surgery body contouring care and are dedicated to continuously improving healthcare quality and patient safety.



PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Institutional Commitment to Excellence

The applicant facility demonstrates a commitment to excellence in post-bariatric plastic surgery "body contouring" from the highest levels of its medical staff and administration and includes having specialty-specific credentialing and privileging guidelines in plastic surgery.

2. SURGICAL EXPERIENCE

The applicant facility performs at least 50 body contouring procedures annually. Each applicant surgeon performs at least 25 procedures annually and has served as the primary surgeon for at least 75 body contouring procedures in their lifetime. Applicants perform each surgical procedure in a standardized manner and use a template for operative note dictation to ensure proper data collection for surgical procedures.

3. PHYSICIAN PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The applicant facility must appoint a Physician Program Director for the Center of Excellence in Body Contouring (COEBC) program.

4. CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

The applicant facility must have a full complement of consultative services required for the routine and intensive care of body contouring surgery patients and their potential complications including: anesthesiologist or CRNA, ACLS-certified physician or team, critical care specialist, intensivist, vascular surgeon, infectious disease specialist and wound care specialist.

5. EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS

The applicant facility must maintain a full line of equipment and surgical instruments to provide perioperative care for body contouring patients and have documented training for appropriate staff in the safe operation of this equipment.

6. SURGEON DEDICATION AND QUALIFIED CALL COVERAGE

Each applicant surgeon has privileges in body contouring surgery at the applicant facility, is board-certified or an active candidate for board certification in their surgical specialty and has qualified call coverage. Each applicant completes at least 12 hours of CME focused on body contouring surgery every three years.

7. CLINICAL PATHWAYS AND STANDARDIZED OPERATING PROCEDURES

The applicant formally develops and implements clinical pathways that facilitate the standardization of perioperative care for body contouring procedures. Clinical pathways are supported by standardized preoperative, postoperative and discharge physician order sets.

8. SURGICAL TEAM AND SUPPORT STAFF

For each department seeking accreditation, the facility is required to have a designated program coordinator, along with nurses, physician extenders, and a consultative team. This team must be committed to providing high-quality patient care and participate in ongoing, regularly scheduled in-service education sessions to uphold accreditation standards.

9. PATIENT EDUCATION

The facility and each applicant surgeon must provide all body contouring patients with preoperative patient education, have a process for obtaining informed surgical consent and selecting procedures that are most appropriate for each patient's condition.

10. CONTINUOUS QUALITY ASSESSMENT

All applicants must collect outcomes data on all patients who undergo body contouring procedures in SRC's Outcomes Database (or a similar qualifying database).

This is a summarized list of program requirements which is subject to change. For additional information, please contact SRC by emailing businessdevelopment@surgicalreview.org or calling 919.438.2156.