Office of Health Care Affordability
Department of Health Care Access and Information

MATERIAL CHANGE NOTICE SUBMISSION DETAILS

MCN Number	2026-08-11-1535
OHCA Review Start Date	November 2, 2026
Anticipated date (unless tolled per regulation) by which OHCA could waive cost and market impact review	December 17, 2026
Anticipated date (unless tolled per regulation) by which OHCA could determine cost and market impact review required	January 2, 2027

SUBMITTER

HEALTH CARE ENTITY CONTACT FOR PUBLIC INQUIRY

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GENERAL

Business Name	The Cedars Surgery Center, L.P., a California limited partnership, d/b/a Premier Surgery Center
Website	https://premiersurgerycenter.net/
Ownership Type	Partnership
Other Ownership	
Tax Status	For-profit
Federal Tax ID	20-2248775
Description of Submitting Organization	Please refer to the document titled “OHCA - Section 3 - Unredacted” attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
Health Care Provider	Yes
For Providers: Desc. of Capacity or Patients served in California	Please refer to the document titled “OHCA - Section 10 Q 1 - Unredacted” and "OHCA - Section 10 Q 3 - Unredacted" attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
For Payers: Enrollees per county	

LOCATIONS

Counties	Santa Barbara
California licenses and numbers	Please refer to the document titled “OHCA - Section 4 - Unredacted” attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
Other States Served	None

Other state(s) licenses and numbers	None.
Primary Languages used when providing services	English; Spanish
Other language if not listed above	

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ADDITIONAL ENTITIES

Business Name	Description of the Organization	Ownership Type	Additional MCN Submission
Business Name Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara, L.P. d/b/a Summit Surgery Center	Please refer to our attachment in Section 3: Description of the Transaction, for the organizational details for Summit.	Partnership	No
Cottage Medical Foundation d/b/a Cottage Medical Group	Please refer to our attachment in Section 3: Description of the Transaction, for the organizational details for Summit.	Corporation	No

CRITERIA

A health care entity with annual revenue, as defined in subsection (d), of at least $25 million or that owns or controls California assets of at least $25 million and is a party to, or subject of, the transaction.	Yes
A health care entity with annual revenue, as defined in subsection (d), of at least $10 million or that owns or controls California assets of at least $10 million and is a party to, or a subject of, a transaction with: (A) any health care entity satisfying subsection (b)(1); or (B) any entity that owns or controls a health care entity satisfying subsection (b)(1); or (C) any noticing entity that satisfies subsections (b)(4) through (b)(7).	No
A provider or fully integrated delivery system that is a party to, or a subject of, the transaction and provides health care services located in a designated primary care health professional shortage area in California, as defined in Part 5 of Subchapter A of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (commencing with section 5.1), available at *The Health Resource and Service Administration Data Warehouse*. To determine if you are located in a primary health care professional shortage area, please visit the *Health Professional Shortage Area Locator*	No

CIRCUMSTANCES FOR FILING

The transaction involves a transfer or change in control, responsibility or governance of the health care entity. A transaction will directly or indirectly transfer control, responsibility, or governance in whole or in part of a material amount of the assets or operations of a health care entity to one or more entities if: (1) The transaction would result in the transfer of 25% or more of the voting power of the members of the governing body of a health care entity, such as by adding one or more members, substituting one or more members, or through any other type of arrangement, written or oral; or (2) The transaction would vest voting rights significant enough to constitute a change in control such as supermajority rights, veto rights, and similar provisions even if ownership shares or representation on a governing body are less than 25%;	Yes

TRANSACTION DETAILS

Anticipated Date of Transaction Closure	10/12/2026
The goals of the transaction	Please refer to the document titled "OHCA - Section 7 - Unredacted" attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
A summary of the terms of the transaction	
A statement of why the transaction is necessary or desirable	
General public impact or benefits of the transaction, including quality and equity measures and impacts	
Narrative description of the expected competitive impacts of the transaction	
Description of any actions or activities to mitigate any potential adverse impacts of the transaction on the public	
Submitted to US Department of Justice or Federal Trade Commission?	No
Submitted to Other Agency?	No
Subject to court proceeding	No
Description of current services provided and expected post-transaction impacts on health care services	Please refer to the document titled "OHCA - Section 10 Q 1 - Unredacted", attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
Prior mergers or acquisitions that: (A) involved the same or related health care services; (B) involved at least one of the entities, or their parents, subsidiaries, predecessors, or successors, in the proposed transaction; and (C) were closed in the last ten years.	Please refer to the document titled "OHCA - Section 10 Q 1 - Unredacted", attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.

Description of Potential Post Transaction Changes	Please refer to the document titled “OHCA - Section 10 Q 3 - Unredacted”, attached in Section 13, Folder 11 of the submission.
Description of the nature, scope, and dates of any pending or planned material changes occurring between the Submitter and any other entity, within the 12 months following the date of the notice	None.

Section 3: Submitter Business Information

Description of the Submitter

The Cedars Surgery Center, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Premier Surgery Center ("Premier"), is the Submitter. Premier owns and operates an ambulatory surgery center located at 231 W. Pueblo Street, Santa Barbara, California 93105 (the "Surgery Center"), which provides outpatient surgical services on an ambulatory basis. Premier has operated since the filing of its certificate of limited partnership on January 21, 2005.

Premier's general partner is Cottage Medical Foundation, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation doing business as Cottage Medical Group ("CMG"), which holds the general partnership interest and a majority ownership interest in Premier. Premier's sole limited partner is Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Summit Surgery Center ("Summit"), which holds the remaining limited partnership interest in Premier.

CMG is also the general partner of Summit. Each of Summit and Premier is managed by CMG as general partner, and pursuant to their respective limited partnership agreements, Summit and Premier are operated and managed in a manner that furthers CMG's charitable and community-based health care purposes, mission, vision, and values.

Section 7: Description of the Transaction

Summary of the Transaction

The proposed transaction will restructure the ownership and governance of The Cedars Surgery Center, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Premier Surgery Center ("Premier"). The parties to the transaction include Cottage Medical Foundation, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation doing business as Cottage Medical Group ("CMG"); Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Summit Surgery Center ("Summit"); Cottage Health, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation and the sole corporate member of CMG ("Cottage"); and Santa Barbara North County ASC, LLC, a California limited liability company ("SBNC").

CMG, which is Premier's general partner, will buy out Summit's interest in Premier. Premier will convert to a California limited liability company, and SBNC will merge into it, with Premier as the surviving company. After the merger, Premier will operate an ambulatory surgery center in or near Orcutt, California. CMG and physician-owners will jointly own Premier. Premier will be managed by a board of managers, with managers appointed by both CMG and the physician owners. Certain major decisions will require supermajority approval of the members. For as long as CMG is a member, Premier will be managed in a way that furthers the charitable and community-based health care purposes, mission, vision and values of CMG and Cottage.

The transaction is expected to maintain and expand access to outpatient surgical care in the region, with no negative impact on the availability, accessibility or quality of health care services. Summit will continue to operate its own ambulatory surgery center independently, so patients in the Santa Barbara area keep access to comparable ambulatory surgical services.

Section 10: Pre and Post Transaction Services

Attachment, Section 10: Description of Current Services Provided and Expected Post-Transaction Impacts on Health Care Services:

i. Counties where services are currently performed and any post-transaction changes thereto:

Premier currently performs outpatient surgical services in Santa Barbara County at 231 W. Pueblo Street, Santa Barbara, California 93105. Following the transaction, Premier will relocate to the Orcutt location and will cease operations at the Santa Barbara location.

Summit, the selling limited partner, also operates an ambulatory surgery center in Santa Barbara County at 231 W. Pueblo Street and will continue to do so independently.

ii. Levels and type of health care services currently offered, and any post-transaction changes thereto:

Premier is an ambulatory surgery center providing outpatient surgical services in an ambulatory setting, with no emergency, inpatient, labor and delivery, or behavioral health services provided. Once Premier relocates to Orcutt, the levels and types of health care services will remain the same or increase following the transaction. The proposed transaction transfers an existing minority limited partnership interest to the entity that already controls Premier as its general partner and does not alter Premier's licensure, accreditation, or scope of practice. Because Premier's existing limited partner, Summit, will continue to service the same patient population in Santa Barbara, changes to the health care services following the post-transaction are not expected to change.

iii. Summary that includes the number and type of patients currently served, including, but not limited to, age, gender, race, ethnicity, preferred language spoken, disability status, and payer category, and any post-transaction changes thereto:

Premier serves a demographically diverse patient population in the Santa Barbara region across all ages, genders, racial and ethnic backgrounds, preferred languages, and disability statuses,

Because Premier's existing limited partner, Summit, will continue to service the same patient population in Santa Barbara, changes to the number and type of patients served in the Santa Barbara area following the post-transaction are not expected to change.

iv. Current community needs assessments, charity care, and community benefit programs, and any post-transaction changes thereto:

Premier does not directly conduct community needs assessments, charity care, or community benefit programs and does not plan to do so following the transaction.

v. Whether Medi-Cal and Medicare patients are currently accepted and any post-transaction changes thereto:

Premier participates in Medicare through its provider enrollment with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and in Medi-Cal through its Medi-Cal Facility Services Agreement with the Santa Barbara San Luis Obispo Regional Health Authority d/b/a CenCal Health. Premier will

continue to accept Medicare and Medi-Cal beneficiaries following the proposed transaction with no planned restrictions, and Premier's tax identification number and Medicare/Medi-Cal enrollment will be maintained.

Section 10: Pre and Post Transaction Services

3. A description of potential post-transaction changes to: ownership, governance, and operational structure of submitter and transaction parties, submitter's employee staffing levels, job security, retraining policies, wages, benefits, working conditions, and/or employment protections, city/county contracts regarding provision of health care services between parties to transaction and cities/counties; comparable health care services currently offered by other health care entities within 20 miles of any location where submitter offers health care services.

Attachment: Section 9: Description of Post-Transaction Changes to Ownership, Governance, and Operational Structure

Summit will continue to operate independently as a separate ambulatory surgery center at 231 W. Pueblo Street, Santa Barbara,

Employee Staffing Levels, Job Security, and Workforce Impacts:

The transaction is not expected to result in reductions in employee staffing levels. Premier anticipates no changes to job security, retraining policies, wages, benefits, working conditions, or employment protections as a result of the transaction. Existing personnel are expected to continue in their roles with no planned layoffs or displacement, and no changes are contemplated to physician clinical autonomy, medical decision-making, or professional governance at the facility level.

City or County Contracts:

The transaction does not involve the assumption, termination, or modification of any city or county contracts for the provision of health care services by Premier, Summit, or CMG. No local governmental health service agreements are expected to be impacted by the transaction.

Comparable Health Care Services Within 20 Miles:

Section 11: Additional Parties

The parties to the transaction are Premier Surgery Center ("Premier"), Santa Barbara North County ASC, LLC ("SBNC"), Cottage Health, Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara, L.P., d/b/a Summit Surgery Center ("Summit"), and Cottage Medical Foundation, d/b/a Cottage Medical Group ("CMG"). No other parties to the transaction will be submitting a notice. Supplemental information for each party is provided below.

SBNC:

A. Business: SBNC was formed to develop and operate an ambulatory surgery center in or near Orcutt, California.
B. Ownership Type: SBNC is a California limited liability company, which is owned by Cottage Health and physicians.
C. Governance and Operational Structure: SBNC is a manager-managed limited liability company. The decision-making authority of the members is delegated to a Board of Managers. Certain material decisions require supermajority approval of the members.
D. Annual Revenue: $0 (FY 2023), $0 (FY 2024), and $0 (FY 2025).
E. County of Operation: Santa Barbara County.
F. Provider Summary: SBNC was formed to own and operate an accredited, Medicare-certified ambulatory surgery center in Orcutt, California. The Orcutt facility is not yet operational and SBNC does not currently operate any ambulatory surgery centers.
G. Primary and Threshold Languages: SBNC will serve patients in Santa Barbara County, for which the primary language will be English and threshold Medi-Cal languages are English and Spanish.

Cottage Health:

A. Business: Cottage Health provides health care services through three acute care hospitals and related organizations throughout the Santa Barbara County region. Primary service lines include emergency and acute inpatient care, cardiovascular care, women's and children's services, primary and specialty physician services, orthopedics, surgery, oncology, pulmonary medicine, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation therapy, behavioral health, laboratory services, and outpatient diagnostic services.

B. Ownership Type: Cottage Health is a California not-for-profit corporation.

C. Governance and Operational Structure: Cottage Health has no corporate member and is governed by its board of directors. There are 17 members of the Cottage Health Board of Directors, serving without compensation to guide Cottage Health's not-for-profit hospitals in their mission to provide superior health care for and improve the health of their communities through a commitment to the core values of excellence, integrity, and compassion.

D. Annual Revenue: $1,112,995,000 (FY 2023), $1,241,905,000 (FY 2024), and $1,297,053,000 (FY 2025).

E. County of Operation: Santa Barbara County.

F. Provider Summary: Cottage Health is a hospital system. Its facilities include Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital, an accredited 519-bed acute care facility offering inpatient, rehabilitation, and outpatient services; Santa Ynez Valley Cottage Hospital, an accredited 11-bed acute care facility offering inpatient and outpatient services; and Goleta Valley Cottage Hospital, an accredited 48-bed acute care facility offering inpatient and outpatient services. Cottage Health employs approximately 5,800 full- and part-time staff and serves patients in Santa Barbara County through its hospitals, affiliated physician organizations, outpatient clinics, ambulatory surgery centers, and diagnostic services, with the service lines described in subsection (A).

G. Primary and Threshold Languages: Cottage Health serves patients in Santa Barbara County, for which the primary language is English and threshold Medi-Cal languages are English and Spanish.

Summit:

A. Business: Summit owns and operates a multispecialty ambulatory surgery center located at 231 West Pueblo Street in Santa Barbara, California, and engages in activities related or incidental to that business.

B. Ownership Type: Summit is a California limited partnership formed on January 3, 2000. CMG is a general partner to Summit, and CMG and physician owners hold limited partnership interests in Summit.

C. Governance and Operational Structure: Summit is governed by its Amended and Restated Agreement of Limited Partnership under which CMG serves as general partner And physicians hold limited partnership interests. CMG, as the general partner, manages the day to day operations and the physician partners have certain reserved decision-making rights as limited partners.

D. Annual Revenue: $6,152,000 (FY 2023), $6,706,000 (FY 2024), and $7,571,000 (FY 2025).

E. County of Operation: Santa Barbara County.

F. Provider Summary: Summit is a multispecialty ambulatory surgery center in Santa Barbara with three operating rooms and seven preoperative/recovery bays. Summit specializes primarily in orthopaedic and general surgery and also provides ENT and breast oncology procedures

G. Primary and Threshold Languages: Summit serves patients in Santa Barbara County, for which the primary language is English and threshold Medi-Cal languages are English and Spanish.

CMG:

A. Business: CMG provides services, including urgent care, primary care, and specialty care, through outpatient clinics exempt from licensure under Health and Safety Code section 1206(l).

B. Ownership Type: CMG is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation. Cottage Health is the sole corporate member of CMG.

C. Governance and Operational Structure: Cottage Health is the sole corporate member of CMG. CMG is governed by its seven member board of directors,

D. Annual Revenue: $0 (FY 2023), $0 (FY 2024), and $81,841,000 (FY 2025).

E. Counties of Operation: Santa Barbara County, San Luis Obispo County, and Ventura County.

F. Provider Summary: CMG is a California nonprofit public benefit corporation that provides physician services through outpatient clinics exempt from licensure under Health and Safety Code section 1206(l). CMG is not a hospital, is not licensed as an ambulatory surgery center, and has no licensed beds. CMG owns and operates 35 facilities in California: eight urgent care centers and 18 outpatient clinics in Santa Barbara County; two urgent care centers and two satellite specialty clinics in San Luis Obispo County; and three urgent care centers, a satellite pediatric outpatient clinic, and a satellite primary care clinic in Ventura County. CMG offers urgent care, primary care, and specialty care in pediatrics, neurology, endocrinology, urology, cardiology, rheumatology, obstetrics, gynecologic oncology, general surgery, and physiatry, among others. At the end of 2025, CMG employed 333 full-time-equivalent employees. In 2025, CMG served 135,908 patients.

G. Primary and Threshold Languages: CMG serves patients in Santa Barbara, Ventura, and San Luis Obispo Counties, for which the primary language is English and threshold Medi-Cal languages are English and Spanish.

Premier's Responses to OHCA Supplemental Requests

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1.	General Information regarding the Submitter – Description of organization, including, but not limited to, business lines or segments, ownership type (corporation, partnership, limited liability company, etc.), governance and operational structure (including ownership of or by a health care entity). For health care providers or fully integrated delivery systems, include a summary of provider type (hospital, physician group, etc.), facilities owned or operated, service lines, number of staff, geographic service area(s), and capacity (e.g., number of licensed beds) or patients served (e.g., number of patients per county) in California in the last year.	Please include a description of the submitter's organization that includes the number of staff, geographic service area(s), and capacity (e.g., number of licensed beds) or patients served (e.g., number of patients per county) in California in the last year. Please note that this description will be included in the public notice.	Premier Surgery Center currently serves patients in Santa Barbara County and employs 28 staff members. Premier served 19 patients in 2025 and has capacity for patients in seven preoperative/recovery bays and three operating rooms.
2.	(b)(3) Identification of all other parties to the transaction and indication whether any health care entities who are parties to the transaction will be submitting a notice. For each other entity that is a party to the transaction, to the extent the submitter has access to the information, describe the following: (A) The entity's business (including business lines or segments); (B) Ownership type (corporation, partnership, limited liability company, etc.), including any affiliates, subsidiaries, or other entities that control, govern, or are financially responsible for the health care entity or that are subject to the control, governance, or financial control of the health care entity; (C) Governance and operational structure (including ownership of or by a health care entity);	Please provide required information for all parties to the transaction including Santa Barbara North County ASC, LLC and Cottage Health. In addition, please provide information required from sections D, F, and G for Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara and Cottage Medical Foundation. The submission includes the same provider description for Summit Ventures and Cottage Medical Foundation and both entries show $0.00 in revenue.	**SBNC**: A. Business: SBNC was formed to develop and operate an ambulatory surgery center in or near Orcutt, California. B. Ownership Type: SBNC is a California limited liability company, which is owned by Cottage Health and physicians. C. Governance and Operational Structure: SBNC is a manager-managed limited liability company. The decision-making authority of the members is delegated to a Board of Managers. Certain material decisions require supermajority approval of the members. D. Annual Revenue: $0 (FY 2023), $0 (FY 2024), and $0 (FY 2025). E. County of Operation: Santa Barbara County. F. Provider Summary: SBNC was formed to own and operate an accredited, Medicare-certified ambulatory surgery center in Orcutt, California. The Orcutt facility is not yet operational and SBNC

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	(D) Annual revenue for the three most recent fiscal years used in calculating revenue in accordance with section 97435(d); (E) Current county or counties of operation; (F) If a health care provider is party to the transaction, include a summary of provider type (hospital, physician group, etc.), facilities owned or operated, service lines, number of staff, geographic service area(s), and capacity (e.g., number of licensed beds) or patients served (e.g., number of patients per county) in California in the last year; and (G) Primary and threshold languages, as determined by the Department of Health Care Services, used.		does not currently operate any ambulatory surgery centers. G. Primary and Threshold Languages: SBNC will serve patients in Santa Barbara County, for which the primary language will be English and threshold Medi-Cal languages are English and Spanish. **Cottage Health:** A. Business: Cottage Health provides health care services through three acute care hospitals and related organizations throughout the Santa Barbara County region. Primary service lines include emergency and acute inpatient care, cardiovascular care, women's and children's services, primary and specialty physician services, orthopedics, surgery, oncology, pulmonary medicine, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation therapy, behavioral health, laboratory services, and outpatient diagnostic services. B. Ownership Type: Cottage Health is a California not-for-profit corporation. C. Governance and Operational Structure: Cottage Health has no corporate member and is governed by its board of directors. There are 17 members of the Cottage Health Board of Directors, serving without compensation to guide Cottage Health's not-for-profit hospitals in their mission to provide superior health care for and improve the health of their communities through a commitment to the core values of excellence, integrity, and compassion. D. Annual Revenue: $1,112,995,000 (FY 2023), $1,241,905,000 (FY 2024), and $1,297,053,000 (FY 2025). E. County of Operation: Santa Barbara County. F. Provider Summary: Cottage Health is a hospital system. Its facilities include Santa Barbara Cottage

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3.	(5) Description of transaction, which shall include the following: (A) The goals of the transaction; (C) A statement of why the transaction is necessary or desirable; (D) General public impact or benefits of the transaction, including quality and equity measures and impacts; and (E) Narrative description of the expected competitive impacts of the transaction.	Please provide a public-facing description of the transaction that includes the goals of the transaction, general public impact, expected competitive impacts, and a statement why the transaction is desirable.	The proposed transaction will restructure the ownership and governance of The Cedars Surgery Center, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Premier Surgery Center ("Premier"). The parties to the transaction include Cottage Medical Foundation, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation doing business as Cottage Medical Group ("CMG"); Summit Ventures of Santa Barbara, L.P., a California limited partnership doing business as Summit Surgery Center ("Summit"); Cottage Health, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation and the sole corporate member of CMG ("Cottage"); and Santa Barbara North County ASC, LLC, a California limited liability company ("SBNC").

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			CMG, which is Premier's general partner, will buy out Summit's interest in Premier. Premier will convert to a California limited liability company, and SBNC will merge into it, with Premier as the surviving company. After the merger, Premier will operate an ambulatory surgery center in or near Orcutt, California. CMG and physician-owners will jointly own Premier. Premier will be managed by a board of managers, with managers appointed by both CMG and the physician owners. Certain major decisions will require supermajority approval of the members. For as long as CMG is a member, Premier will be managed in a way that furthers the charitable and community-based health care purposes, mission, vision and values of CMG and Cottage. The transaction is expected to maintain and expand access to outpatient surgical care in the region, with no negative impact on the availability, accessibility or quality of health care services. Summit will continue to operate its own ambulatory surgery center independently, so patients in the Santa Barbara area keep access to comparable ambulatory surgical services.
4.	(8) A description of current services provided by the health care entity and expected post-transaction impacts on health care services, which shall include, if applicable: (C) Summary that includes the number and type of patients currently served, including, but not limited to, age, gender, race, ethnicity, preferred language spoken, disability status, and payer category, and any post-transaction changes thereto.	The submission notes that "Premier serves a demographically diverse patient population in the Santa Barbara region across all ages, genders, racial and ethnic backgrounds, preferred languages, and disability statuses." Please provide greater detail regarding the number and type of patients served by the health care entity and any post-transaction changes.	Premier served 19 patients in 2025, ranging in age (from two years and older), gender, race/ethnicity, disability status, primary language, and payer category. Premier generally maintains a payer mix that includes commercial insurance, Medicare and Medicare Advantage, Medi-Cal through CenCal Health, and self-pay arrangements. Premier does not routinely collect race, ethnicity, preferred language spoken, or disability status information when scheduling patients for ambulatory surgery, and therefore more specific data is not available. Following the transaction, Premier will relocate to Orcutt, California, where it expects to serve patients in the Orcutt and broader north Santa Barbara

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			County community, and will continue to serve all patients two years and older, regardless of gender, race, ethnicity, preferred language, disability status, or payer category.
5.	(10) Description of potential post- transaction changes to: (A) Ownership, governance, or operational structure of the parties to the transaction; … (D) If a provider, comparable health care services currently offered by other health care entities within 20 miles of any location where the submitter offers health care services	Please include a public-facing description of post-transaction changes to ownership, governance, or operational structure of the parties and to comparable health care services offered by other health care entities.	**(A) Post-Transaction Changes to Ownership, Governance, and Operational Structure:** Following the transaction, Premier Surgery Center will be governed under a new Operating Agreement. Summit Surgery Center will exit Premier's ownership structure entirely and will continue to independently operate its own ambulatory surgery center. At and after closing, Cottage Medical Foundation, a nonprofit public benefit corporation, will hold a majority of the member voting interests of Premier, and physician owners will collectively hold the remaining minority voting interests. Premier will be managed by a five-member Board of Managers. **(D) Comparable Health Care Services Within 20 Miles:** Following Premier's relocation to Orcutt, Summit will continue to independently operate its ambulatory surgery center at 231 W. Pueblo Street in Santa Barbara, ensuring that patients in the area retain access to comparable ambulatory surgical services. Additionally, Premier will expand the availability of outpatient surgical care in the Orcutt community. The transaction is not expected to have any negative impact upon the availability, accessibility, or quality of health care services in the region.