

Appendix Table A1. Baseline characteristics of entire medical history before index date, among those with stable weight through the initial 6 month weight change period.

	Maintained through 2 years (N = 59,970)	Cyclers through 2 years (N= 88,228)	P-value
Age (years), mean (SD)	58.5 (13.6)	55.7 (14.7)	<0.001*
Male, n (%)	24,097 (40.2)	30,388 (34.4)	<0.001*
Race, n (%)			
White	39,393 (65.7)	58,381 (66.2)	<0.001*
Black	6,283 (10.5)	8,983 (10.2)	
Asian	547 (0.9)	544 (0.6)	
Hispanic	1,231 (2.1)	1,831 (2.1)	
Other	598 (1.0)	939 (1.1)	
Unknown	11,918 (19.9)	17,550 (19.9)	
Geographic region, n (%)			
Midwest	11,749 (19.6)	17,975 (20.4)	<0.001*
Northeast	15,864 (26.5)	22,801 (25.8)	
South	22,310 (37.2)	31,730 (36.0)	
West	10,047 (16.8)	15,722 (17.8)	
Index BMI (kg/m^2), mean (SD)	35.2 (5.5)	35.7 (6.0)	<0.001*
Comorbidities related to obesity, n (%)			
Hypertension	14,157 (23.6)	20,087 (22.8)	<0.001*
Cardiovascular disease	17,363 (29.0)	24,804 (28.1)	<0.001*
Dyslipidemia	12,005 (20.0)	16,386 (18.6)	<0.001*
Diabetes and related comorbidities	8,144 (13.6)	12,279 (13.9)	0.065
Sleep apnea	1,107 (1.8)	1,854 (2.1)	<0.001*
Obstructive sleep apnea	423 (0.7)	717 (0.8)	0.020*

* P-value < 0.05. BMI = body mass index; SD = standard deviation.