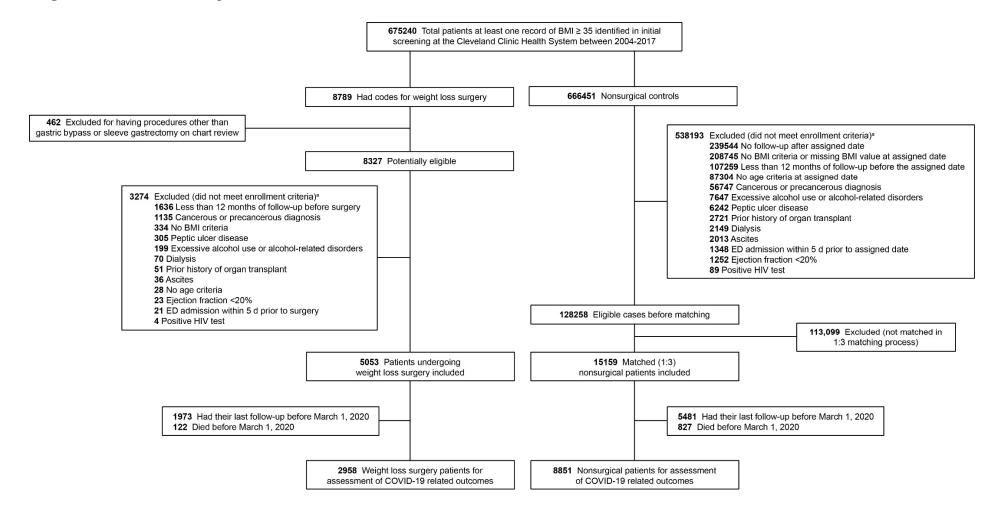
Supplementary Online Content

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eFigure. Identification of Eligible Patients for Inclusion

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To create a comparable control group, dates of weight loss surgery were randomly assigned to a pool of 666451 patients with BMI ≥35 kg/m². Non-surgical patients were then removed from the pool if they failed to meet inclusion/exclusion criteria at the assigned point in time, at which point could be seen as potentially eligible for weight loss surgery. Utilizing this algorithm, we identified 128258 comparable non-surgical patients to be considered for matching. With propensity matching of each surgical patient to 3 non-surgical patients, 5053 surgical patients and 15159 matched non-surgical patients were

enrolled into the study. Among them, 2958 surgical patients and 8851 non-surgical patients were available between March 1, 2020 and March 1, 2021 for assessment of COVID-19 related outcomes.

ED, emergency department.

^a Some patients met multiple exclusion criteria.