Coverage for Obesity Treatment Services

State Medicaid Programs

- **Obesity Counseling**: 41 of 51. State Medicaid programs cover at least one obesity screening + counseling visit (range: 0 to 26 visits/year).
- **Nutritional Counseling**: 20 of 51. State Medicaid programs cover at least one nutritional counseling visit for obesity (range: 0 to 12 visits/year).
- **Anti-Obesity Medications**: 16 of 51. State Medicaid programs cover one or more FDA-approved medications for the treatment of obesity.
- **Bariatric Surgery**: 49 of 51. State Medicaid programs cover one or more surgical procedures for the treatment of obesity.

*Many programs limit coverage by requiring presence of a specified comorbid condition, offering access only through certain plans, requiring prior authorization for covered services, imposing significant cost-sharing, and/or instating annual or lifetime service caps.

For additional information regarding state-specific coverage limitations, please see the Supplementary Information published online: 10.1002/oby.22307

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