



UNDERSTANDING ILLINOIS' SHARE OF OBESITY TREATMENT COSTS

With the BALANCE model, a new federal Medicaid model, GLP-1s cost \$245 per patient each month. However, Illinois pays approximately 48.18% of that amount, around \$118.04 per patient, per month, because Illinois Medicaid is jointly financed by the state and federal government.

HOW IT WORKS

- Medicaid is jointly funded by states and the federal government.
- Illinois receives a 51.82% federal match for most covered services in Illinois Medicaid.
- As a result, the state pays only a portion of eligible Illinois Medicaid costs.



Illinois pays only its defined portion for obesity treatment, not the full cost.

\$118.04

\$126.96

Illinois pays

The federal government pays

THE TAKEAWAY

Obesity should be treated like any other chronic disease. Patients deserve access to evidence-based care, and Illinois doesn't fund that care alone.