



UNDERSTANDING MISSOURI'S SHARE OF OBESITY TREATMENT COSTS

With the BALANCE model, a new federal Medicaid model, GLP-1s cost \$245 per patient each month. However, Missouri pays approximately 35.56% of that amount, around \$87.12 per patient, per month, because MO HealthNet is jointly financed by the state and federal government.

HOW IT WORKS

- Medicaid is jointly funded by states and the federal government.
- Missouri receives a 64.44% federal match for most covered services in MO HealthNet.
- As a result, the state pays only a portion of eligible MO HealthNet costs.



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

\$87.12

\$157.88

Missouri pays

The federal government pays

THE TAKEAWAY

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