



UNDERSTANDING PENNSYLVANIA'S SHARE OF OBESITY TREATMENT COSTS

With the BALANCE model, a new federal Medicaid model, GLP-1s cost \$245 per patient each month. However, Pennsylvania pays approximately 43.94% of that amount, around \$107.65 per patient, per month, because Medical Assistance is jointly financed by the state and federal government.

HOW IT WORKS

- Medicaid is jointly funded by states and the federal government.
- Pennsylvania receives a 56.06% federal match for most covered services in Medical Assistance.
- As a result, the state pays only a portion of eligible Medicaid costs.



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

\$107.65

\$137.35

Pennsylvania pays

The federal government pays

THE TAKEAWAY

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