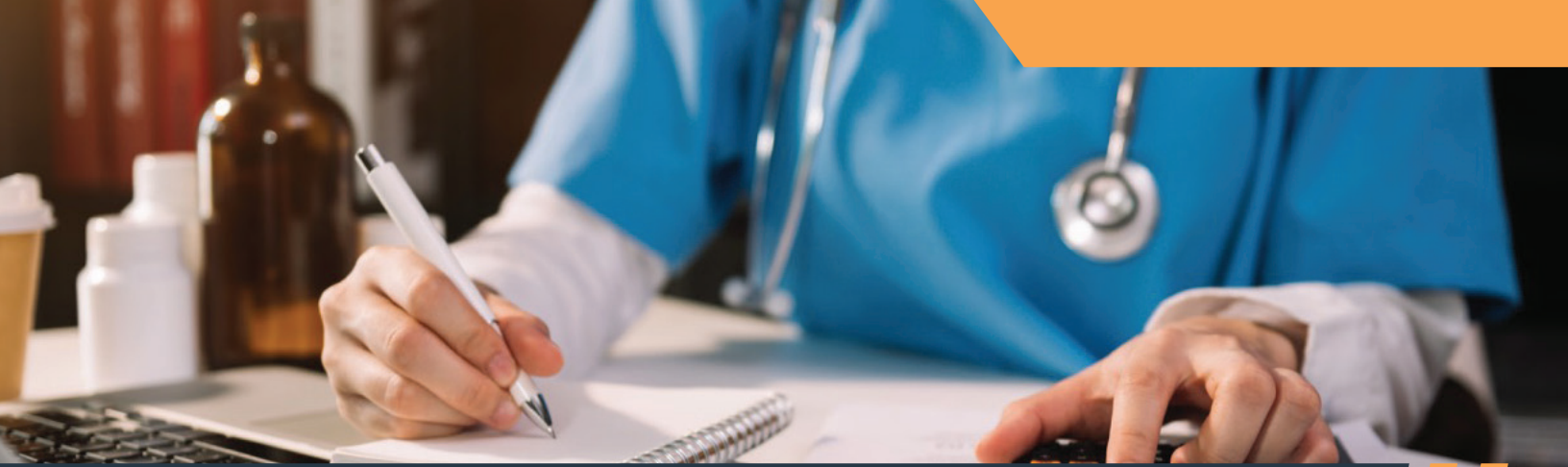




UNDERSTANDING TENNESSEE'S SHARE OF OBESITY TREATMENT COSTS

With the BALANCE model, a new federal Medicaid model, GLP-1s cost \$245 per patient each month. However, Tennessee pays approximately 35.84% of that amount, around \$87.81 per patient, per month, because TennCare is jointly financed by the state and federal government.

HOW IT WORKS

- Medicaid is jointly funded by states and the federal government.
- Tennessee receives a 64.16% federal match for most covered services in TennCare.
- As a result, the state pays only a portion of eligible TennCare costs.



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

\$87.81

\$157.19

Tennessee pays

The federal government pays

THE TAKEAWAY

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