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Arkansas Medicaid ^{13, 14, 15, 16}

Assessment & Counseling	Pharmacotherapy	 <p>Adults with obesity: 36% ³ Adults with diabetes: 12% ³</p> <p>22% of residents covered by Medicaid/CHIP \$5.5 billion in total Medicaid spending (2015)</p> <p>Primary-care case management (% NR) Fee-for-service (% NR) ⁴</p> <p>Resources & Contacts:</p> <p>AR Insurance Department Phone: 501-371-2600</p> <p>AR Medicaid: <i>Division of Medical Services</i> Phone: 501-682-8292</p> <p>Healthy Arkansas: <i>AR Department of Health</i> Phone: 501-661-2000</p>
<p><i>Obesity is not explicitly mentioned</i></p> <p>COVERAGE may include:</p> <p>Preventive Counseling 99401-99402, 99385-99387, 99395-99397</p> <p>Behavioral Assessment/Intervention None</p> <p>Nutritional Consultation & Therapy None</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No evidence of nutritional consultation coverage, but not explicitly excluded 	<p>UNDETERMINED</p> <p>AR Medicaid does not explicitly include or exclude medications used to treat obesity.</p> <p>Prescribers may request prior authorization or an override for non-preferred drugs by calling the Magellan Medicaid Administration (MMA) Help Desk at 1-800-424-7895.</p>	
	<p>Bariatric Surgery</p>	
	<p>COVERAGE may include:</p> <p>Gastric Bypass, Gastric Band, Sleeve Gastrectomy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prior authorization is required. - Beneficiary must be within 18 and 65 years of age, have a BMI > 35 with at least one related comorbidity, be free of endocrine disease, and have documentation of at least one previous medically-supervised weight loss attempt (duration of 6+ months). - Medical and psychiatric contraindications to the surgical procedure must be ruled out. 	