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Washington Health Care Authority (HCA) 183, 184, 185 **Assessment & Counseling Pharmacotherapy NOT COVERED COVERAGE** may include: WA Medicaid explicitly excludes coverage of **Preventive Counseling** drugs prescribed for weight loss or gain. 99385, 99395, *99401*[†] WA Medicaid (Apple Health) generally excludes routine physical examinations, general preventive services, and weight reduction/control services (procedures, treatments, devices, drugs, products, gym **Bariatric Surgery** memberships). Managed care enrollees may be eligible for **COVERAGE** may include: additional services; see Title 182, Chapter 538 of the Washington Administrative Gastric Bypass, Gastric Band, Sleeve Gastrectomy Code for additional information. [†]Covered only as a family planning service BMI \geq 35 and serious comorbidity and/or in the context of HIV/AIDS risk-Authorized payment for bariatric surgery reduction

Behavioral Assessment/Intervention

96150-96154, 99078*

* Restricted to members with diagnosis of diabetes and/or asthma

Nutritional Consultation & Therapy

97802-97804

NOTE: Nutritional counseling is covered only for beneficiaries under age 21; see WAC 182-550-6300 or MNT manual for guidelines.

- **Prior authorization** is required; must have
- services follows in accordance with WAC 182-531-1600 and includes:
 - o Initial assessment of client
 - Evaluations for bariatric surgery and successful completion of a weight loss regimen
 - o Bariatric surgery
- HCA may authorize up to 34 units of a bariatric case management fee for the PCP coordinating/overseeing the approval process and necessary referrals.

Note: Additional criteria apply (including physician restrictions); see Provider Manual for full criteria.



Adults with obesity: 27% ³ Adults with diabetes: **8%** ³

22% of residents covered by Medicaid/CHIP **\$10.6** billion in total Medicaid spending (2015)

83% enrolled in managed care 4 15% enrolled in fee-for-service 2% enrolled in primary care case management

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