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Department of Central Management Services (CMS) – State Employees Group Insurance Program (SEGIP)

Employee Incentive Program

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Prevention, Assessment, & Intervention¹⁶⁶

Preventive Counseling:

- CMS covers one (1) annual exam & USPSTF obesity screening/counseling services

Nutritional Counseling:

- CMS covers healthy diet and physical activity counseling to promote improvement in weight status for adults with obesity
- Limited to one session (10 classes) w/ RD
- Some plans indicate comorbid diagnosis is required for reimbursement

Behavioral Therapy:

- **HealthAlliance** covers up to 26 visits/year for adults w/ obesity diagnosis as preventive benefit; other plans do not specify

Most plans explicitly exclude benefits for the treatment of obesity, food addiction, or weight reduction, except services for morbid obesity as approved by the plan administrator.

Pharmacotherapy 167

- Possible coverage by OAP/QCHP (selffunded plans) only; prior authorization required
- HMO plans exclude coverage for anorexiants and weight loss medications

Bariatric Surgery 168

Coverage: LIMITED

- Excluded by Aetna HMO/OAP plans¹⁶⁹
- Obesity surgery is covered with a showing of medical necessity and predetermination of benefits; related professional charges may be covered as part of morbid obesity treatment

Health Improvement Program (HIP) ¹⁷⁰ Health risk assessment: YES [by plan] Desired outcome: N/A
The State is in the process of upgrading its current wellness program. The goal of the new program will be to help employees avoid chronic health problems improving lifestyle choices, including eating healthier, being more physically active, managing stress more effectively, and getting more sleep.
Other Wellness Benefits
 Weight Loss Benefit Program Employees who utilize an approved weight-loss program are entitled to a \$200 rebate once every three (3) years.

- Benefit is offered through CMS; submit reimbursement requests w/in a year of receipt; see **Weight Loss Benefit Program** or call 217-558-4486 for details

Each plan offers additional wellness benefits to members; see **chart** for overview of value-added services;¹⁷¹ see state-specific plan sites for current weight management supports:

- Aetna
- Health Alliance
- Blue Cross & Blue Shield
- HealthLink



Adults with obesity: 31% ¹⁵⁷ Adults with diabetes: 10% ¹⁵⁸

State employees: **155,598** (67% FT) ¹⁵⁹ Premium payments: **\$1.28 billion**¹⁶⁰

Top state plan/s: ^{161,162,163}

Aetna POS Quality Care Health Plan (SOB) Health Alliance HMO (SOB) ¹⁶⁴ BCBS HMO Illinois (SOB) HealthLink OAP (SOB) ¹⁶⁵

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