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Alabama Medicaid Agency (AMA) ^{1, 2, 3}

Assessment & Counseling	Pharmacotherapy	 Adults with obesity: 34% ³ Adults with diabetes: 12% ³ 19% of residents covered by Medicaid/CHIP \$5.3 billion in total Medicaid spending (2015) 66% enrolled in primary-care case management 34% enrolled in fee-for-service ⁴ Resources & Contacts: AL Medicaid Agency Phone: 334-242-5000 AL Department of Public Health Phone: 334-206-5300 AL Department of Rehabilitative Services (ADRS) State Office Phone: 334-293-7500
<p><i>Obesity is not explicitly mentioned</i></p> <p>COVERAGE may include:</p> <p>Preventive Counseling 99401 – 99402</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AL Medicaid does not reimburse for adult preventive medicine services other than screening/counseling on diet and exercise provided during routine visit. - Only covers 1 preventative counseling service per year <p>Behavioral Assessment/Intervention None</p> <p>Nutritional Consultation & Therapy None</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dietician services are <u>excluded</u> from coverage for adults (21+). Diet instruction performed by a physician is considered part of a routine visit. <p><u>Note:</u> <i>State plan suggests that additional health promotion services not include in fee schedule may be covered for members enrolled in health home</i></p>	<p>COVERAGE may include:</p> <p>Xenical (<i>Orlistat</i>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prior authorization requires documentation of MD supervised exercise/diet regimen for ≥ 6 months. - Documented weight loss required for prescription renewal. <p><u>Note:</u> <i>AL Medicaid excludes coverage of drugs used for anorexia, weight loss or weight gain, other than those specified by the Alabama Medicaid Agency (as above).</i></p>	
	Bariatric Surgery	
	<p>COVERAGE may include:</p> <p>Gastric Bypass, Gastric Band, Sleeve Gastrectomy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prior authorization is required. - Must be within 18 and 64 years of age. - Recipients under 18 who have one or more life-threatening comorbidities may be considered for authorization. <p>Recipient must meet additional medical criteria (not provided) or the surgery will be considered cosmetic and excluded from coverage.</p>	