## District of Columbia

### Department of Health Care Finance

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<th>Assessment &amp; Counseling</th>
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<td><strong>COVERAGE may include:</strong></td>
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<td>Preventive Counseling</td>
<td>DC Medicaid excludes weight loss drugs from outpatient pharmacy benefit.</td>
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<td>99401-99404, 99411, G0438-G0439, 99385-99387, 99395-99397</td>
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<td>- Both DC Medicaid programs (DC Healthcare Alliance and DC Healthy Families) provide coverage for adult and child wellness services furnished in accordance with USPSTF recommendations (e.g. screening for obesity and lipid disorders; diet and behavioral counseling).</td>
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<td>Behavioral Assessment/Intervention</td>
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<td>- Health and behavior assessment/intervention services are eligible distant site services under telemedicine coverage.</td>
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<td>Nutritional Consultation &amp; Therapy</td>
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<td>- Prior authorization requirements suggest nutritional consultation only covered for individuals with developmental disabilities</td>
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<td>Gastric Bypass, Gastric Band, Sleeve Gastrectomy</td>
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<td>- Prior authorization is required; specific coverage criteria not found.</td>
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<td>- Providers must complete 719A Form41 and send to Qualis Health (800-251-8890) with supporting documentation.</td>
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<td>Adults with obesity: 22% 3</td>
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<td>Adults with diabetes: 9% 3</td>
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<td>26% of residents covered by Medicaid/CHIP</td>
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<td>$2.4 billion in total Medicaid spending (2015)</td>
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<td>76% enrolled in managed care</td>
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<td>24% enrolled in fee-for-service 4</td>
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