

State of Washington Office of the Insurance Commissioner

RFP S2504: Obesity Treatment Actuarial Cost Analysis

Addendum 3: Preproposal Conference Questions & Answers

Q: Can you describe the general process of working with the APCD? Do you know the approximate cost of the data use agreement?

A: The Washington All Payer Claims Database is administered through the Health Care Authority (HCA). Additional information can be found in the Q&A - Addendum 2. OIC has access to the APCD data, but an additional organization would need to be added to OIC's DUA data use agreement with HCA to give the organization access to the data.

Q: Does the APCD identify the type of coverage a member has, e.g., self-funded, marketplace, group insured, Medicaid, etc.?

A: Yes, the APCD does identify the type of coverage for a member. The data differentiates by different payers (i.e. Commercial, Medicaid), commercial market categories (individual, small group, large group), and self-insured to the degree that self-insured claims are reported to the APCD data set.

Q: Does the database identify the extent to which an obesity drug is covered for a member, i.e. The difference between allowed amount and amount paid to the provider or any other indicator?

A: The APCD has information at the claim line level including charge amount, insurer paid amount, copayment amount, coinsurance amount and deductible amount.

Q: Does the treatment cover weight loss?

A: The database has claims paid by the plan, which will reflect covered services for which a claim has been paid.

Q: Are there any historical, publicly available WA analysis reports that WA envisions this analysis to be similar to in nature?

A: Please find prior OIC legislative & commissioner reports here:

<https://www.insurance.wa.gov/about-us/reports/legislative-and-commissioner-reports>

Fertility Treatment Benefit Report: <https://www.insurance.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2024-09/2023fertility-treatment-cost-analysis-report.pdf>

Coverage for Hearing Instruments Analysis:

<https://www.insurance.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2024-09/2021-hearing-instrument-analysis-provided-by-wakely.pdf>

Q: What is the estimated cost of obtaining access to the APCD via an amendment to the DUA with HCA to allow third party access to the APCD?

A: Historically the cost to add a third party as an additional organization to OIC's DUA via an amendment has been \$675 per seat license (per person) per month. We cannot commit to this cost as it is established by HCA.

Q: I don't recall seeing a desired deadline for the deliverable report in the RFP or Q&A. Is there a desired timeline for the project or is that to be proposed by the bidder?

A: Please see Section 1.1 of the RFP. The final report is due to the legislature Sept 30, 2026, so work backwards from that date to determine a timeline for the scope of work.