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TO: Commonwealth of Kentucky Medicaid Pharmacy Network
FROM: MedImpact Healthcare Systems
Subject: **Wegovy Coverage Changes for Cardiovascular Risk Reduction**

Status: In March 2024, the FDA approved Wegovy for risk reduction of cardiovascular death, heart attack, or stroke in patients who are either overweight or obese. Following this approval, the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that it would begin covering Wegovy **only for this new medically accepted indication**. CMS further clarified that Wegovy will continue to be excluded from coverage for all weight loss indications.

Effective July 1, 2024, the Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services (DMS) will begin covering Wegovy for risk reduction of cardiovascular death, heart attack, or stroke in patients who are either overweight or obese. Coverage of Wegovy for this indication will be dependent upon patients meeting the clinical prior authorization criteria that will be put into place. As clarified by CMS, Wegovy requests for the treatment of weight loss will continue to be excluded from coverage.

Prior authorization criteria for Wegovy will be posted online on July 1st and can be found at the following location once posted: <https://kyportal.medimpact.com/medicaid-provider-portal/medicaid-provider-portal-home>.

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