

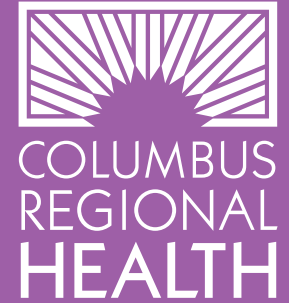
BARIATRIC SURGERY SAVES EMPLOYERS MONEY AND GREATLY IMPROVES EMPLOYEES' LIVES.

Productivity costs

Obese individuals compared to healthy weight individuals have been shown to have:

- 3.73 additional days lost annually
- 1.23 times higher absenteeism rate
- 194% more likely to use paid time off
- Higher reduction in productivity while present at work

Weight Loss Institute



Since 2004, the Weight Loss Institute has offered Surgical and Non-Surgical Weight Loss Programs. Obese patients receive the highest quality care from our board certified surgeons.

We offer the latest weight-loss procedures including both open and minimally invasive laparoscopic gastric bypass surgeries, as well as the laparoscopic sleeve. These procedures result in an employee's drastic reduction in co-morbidities allowing him/her to achieve better quality of life at home and at work.

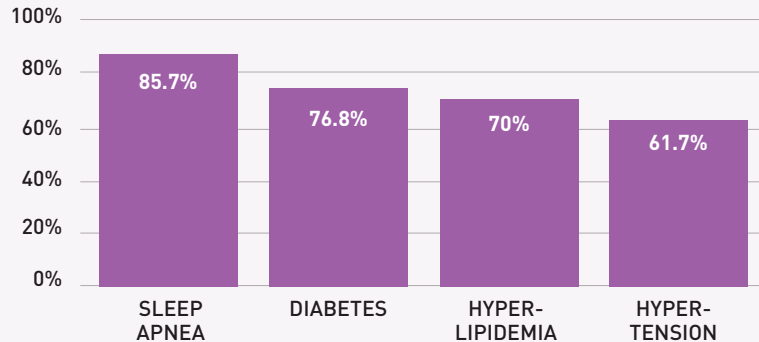
Weight Loss Institute of Columbus Regional Health can help! Read more on the back of the card, to find out why your company or organization should offer insurance covering the cost of bariatric surgery.

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- Indiana ranks #11 in states impacted by obesity
- The total cost of obesity in Indiana is \$45.02 billion

Co-morbidity reduction after bariatric surgery

Co-morbidity resolution percentage



- The cost of employment for the population with obesity is \$30.66 billion more than the normal weight population
- Healthcare costs for individuals affected by obesity are 34% higher
- For individuals living with obesity, 28.2% of their annual healthcare costs are spent treating obesity-related conditions
- Downstream savings associated with bariatric surgery are estimated to offset the cost in two years for laparoscopic procedures
- Post-surgery drug costs for diabetic and antihypertensive medications decrease dramatically with a 77.2% cost savings
- Long-term studies show 89% of patients up to 14 years post-surgery have maintained weight loss

Information from the ASMBS website – Obesity Action Coalition



For more information, contact the Weight Loss Institute at 812.376.5640.