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I am a primary care pediatrician who practices obesity medicine in Reno, and the only pediatrician in Nevada currently board certified in obesity medicine. I know Dr. Dana Trippi made public comment regarding this class of medications in March and I saw some brief discussion in the minutes during the Silver State Scripts Board meeting in June. I too would very much like to see these medications covered, including for patients under 18 years of age. I realize that there are not as many FDA-approved medications for children but providing the tools available to those who desperately need help with the very complicated and pervasive disease of obesity deserve access to evidence-based therapies that are safe and effective – just like those with cancer, diabetes, and other chronic diseases. I am contacting you to see how I can help my pediatric patients with obesity. My understanding is that a financial impact analysis is the next step. I have reached out to elected officials and provided testimony to the Joint Interim HHS Committee. I would greatly appreciate any feedback that you can provide to me on how I can help with this process.

Thank you and best regards,

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