

The NYS Academy of Family Physicians supports coverage of physician reimbursement for tobacco cessation counseling that tracks the Medicare benefit. This benefit provides reimbursement for up to 4 counseling sessions per quit attempt and a person can have two attempts per year for a total of 8 sessions per year. We also support coverage for the wide array of medications that help smokers to quit.

Similarly, we support physician reimbursement for weight loss counseling.

Thank you.

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