

What's really going to break the health care bank in the future? According to a new congressional budget office report, it's obesity. The cost of caring for the overly large is rapidly making healthcare more expensive in the US. At Gundersen Lutheran in La Crosse, surgeon Shanu Khatari says gastric bypass surgery is the one proven method to get the weight off and keep it off. Oddly, many insurance companies don't cover it. Though, Dr. Khatari says, those same companies don't seem to have a problem covering the illnesses that are directly related to obesity like diabetes, hypertension and sleep apnea. Khatari says gastric bypass is much cheaper in the long run than dealing with obesity related illnesses.