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Illness can be either mental or physical. There is no reason to treat one differently than the other in the health of the general public.

Whatever your ties to the insurance companies, support the interim final rule under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (RIN 1210-AB30).

Support the rule that would forbid insurance companies from charging higher copayments, deductibles, and other out-of-pocket expenses for mental health treatment than they do for other physical health care.

Thank you for ensuring that mental health care and physical health care coverage are included in a single deductible.

Sincerely,

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