I am writing to support the interim final rule under the Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008 (RIN 1210-AB30).

I support the strong rule that would forbid insurance companies from charging higher copayments, deductibles, and other out-of-pocket expenses for mental health treatment than they would for other physical health care. Thank you for ensuring that mental health care and physical health care coverage are included in a single deductible.

Please care enough about us all in this day and age. Too many people have turned their backs on mental health problems for too long. Many people who do bad things would never consider doing them if they were what we call stable. It is time to face this serious problem and handle it properly!

Sincerely,

Barbara West