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I am writing to support the interim final rule, but extend it to groups under 50 and individual policies as well, 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 EXTEND THE LAW TO GROUPS UNDER 50 AND ALL INDIVIDUAL POLICIES AS WELL.

Sincerely,

Mike Gold