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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.

Mental health is vitally important to physical health. Given the stress caused by the recession, in addition to the humane component of according dignified treatment to those with mental health issues, the Mental Health Parity Act is vitally important and should be passed post haste.

Sincerely,

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