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Subject: Comment in support of RIN 1210-AB30

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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. We here in Seattle, WA, have been devastated by several murders committed by mentally ill persons who were not receiving adequate mental health services. For the insurance companies to make it even harder for this vulnerable group to receive the care and supervision they need is inviting more tragedies to occur.

Sincerely,

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