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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.

It is unfair to discriminate against mental health patients. They simply need prescription drugs and regular monitoring and meetings with health care professionals, like any other patient, for example, those with diabetes, or high blood pressure, or other health issues.

Higher prices for mental health patients may force them to forgo the care they need, and could lead to tragic consequences.

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

Sincerely,

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