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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).

It's high time to incorporate the overwhelming scientific evidence that there is no difference between mental and physical illness and support a law that would forbid insurance companies from charging higher copayments, deductibles, and other out-of-pocket expenses for mental health treatment. Thank you for ensuring that patients with mental health care needs receive the same care and coverage as those with physical health care needs.

Sincerely,

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