I have been a mental health practitioner for 20 years, with a specialization in the physical rehabilitation of chronic pain disorders. I have seen first hand, with thousands of patients, that mental health and physical health are intimately connected. Most chronic pain patients do not get better without addressing the mental health component of their physical disability. Cognitive/behavioral treatments, including biofeedback training, are particularly effective for helping chronic pain patients learn increased mental control over physical symptoms, resulting in decreased disability and increased function. I strongly support this parity act.