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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.

Our prison population consists of 60-70% human beings needing mental health treatment, we have to start insuring they can live outside on their own at an average SS disability cost of \$14,000, instead of taxpayer \$40,000 per year of prison. Not to mention the victims that will be saved by treating the mentally ill! Let's be unAmerican and Cost Effective and ensure insurance companies be accountable!

Sincerely,

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