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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).

As someone who has needed, and benefitted from intensive therapy at critical moments in my life, I support the strong rule that would require insurance companies to treat copayments, deductibles, and other out-of-pocket expenses for mental health treatment in a fashion similar to what 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.

Sincerely,

Nancy Lowenthal