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To: EBSA, E-OHPSCA - EBSA

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.

It's no accident that in the 80's there was a rise in "homelessness". It's when Reagan cut funding for mental health welfare and institutions. Who does he think paid for that increase in people on the streets. The money's got to come from somewhere. And insurance companies don't want to pay the health care of the people they insure? That think is in need of mental healthcare.

Sincerely,

Dave Dunkak