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Subject: support Senate Bill 860 - make mental health parity a priority!

My name is Ida Moadab, and I am a clinical psychologist practicing in Eugene. I am writing to encourage you to support Senate Bill 860 and mental health parity. The ways that insurance companies have been slashing reimbursement, and increasingly making access to mental health care unaffordable to many Oregonians, is disheartening, especially given that Oregon has been ahead of the game in legislating mental health parity. I am on very few insurance panels, and have left one, because the reimbursement rate is so low for behavioral health codes, which means only clients who can afford large copays can see me if they are most insurance plans. I would very much like to serve a greater proportion of Oregonians, and am hopeful you will take Senate Bill 860 seriously and actually make sure insurance companies are paying and reviewing behavioral health providers in the same way as medical providers. I believe if they did so, I could financially make being an in-network provider work on more plans, and make my specialized services available to more Oregonians.

Feel free to contact me should you require clarification on my concerns. Thank you for making mental health parity a priority.

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