

To Whom It May Concern

RE: Decreasing the number of medicare funded appointments with Mental Health Care Providers

I have recently been informed of the government's intention to decrease the number of medicare funded appointments available to those requiring Mental Health Care.

As someone who has suffered depression for many years, I have relied upon regular appointments with a clinical psychologist to treat my often debilitating symptoms. Without the support, care, and expert treatment from my psychologist I would never have been able to have happy and healthy relationships with my family and friends, nor continue with my work with

My psychologist has been the one solid influence that has helped me find a way to deal with depression and have a happy and productive life. I hate to think how different my life would be without his help.

I ask you to reconsider your plan to reduce the number of medicare funded appointments with Mental Health Care Providers - those of us who need support count on every single appointment. I am only one of many counting on you to do the right thing for our community.

Kind regards