

With the passage of the current health bill, the President signed into law a bill containing broad language that allows all mental health providers and substance abuse clinicians who are licensed by their respective states, to be eligible for reimbursement when working with Medicare clients---THIS IS TERRIFIC!!

As a result of this achievement we now have legal standing to lobby for the amendment of current proposed bills that contain proprietary language limiting the expansion of Medicare reimbursement to only two categories of providers---**H.R. 1693**, Burt Gordon, TN, Sponsor & 20 Co-Sponsors:

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What to do?

- Contact these representatives and other representatives from these states
- Ask friends, relatives to contact representatives
- Contact your own representative

Tell them H.R. 1693 should be amended so that Licensed Psychologists-Masters and all other mental health providers are eligible for Medicare reimbursement.