

Support Senate Bill 61 – Protect Medicaid Providers

Hello,

I'm a private practice therapist urging you to support Senate Bill 61. The way OHA conducts audits discourages therapists from working with Medicaid clients. Clawbacks that force providers to repay money already spent or taxed—often due to minor clerical errors that OHA won't allow us to correct—are unethical.

OHA claims this is fraud prevention, but these are legitimate services provided to real clients. Unlike any other insurer, OHA's policies create financial risks that drive providers away from Medicaid, limiting access to care. Medicaid clients deserve qualified therapists, and providers deserve a fair and transparent audit process without conflicting information.

Please support this bill to stop OHA from unjustly clawing back rightfully earned payments.

Thank you,
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