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To Whom It May Concern:

I oppose studying the cost of the community mental health system because it will be a waste of time and money to do so. Administrative oversight of waste, fraud and abuse should be a priority for all community mental health programs. Much of the waste in the current system is generated by a dysfunctional civil commitment system that doesn't adequately balance the liberty interests of the severely mentally ill with the citizenry's interests in a safe, civil and beautiful public square in addition to their interest in helping people with severe mental health disturbances. If you are interested in new civil commitment law, please consider The Portland Oregon Civil Commitment Plan. I have been promoting it on Facebook, and it has generated many responses.