

January 8, 2025

Dear Legislators,

I am in favor of HB1114 which would cap insulin copays for ALL ND administered insurance plans through the ND Insurance Commissioner's Office.

I was clueless until 18 months ago when my grade school aged granddaughter was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes (T1D) that I began to educate myself on this horrible disease.

Without the essential multiple daily patient specific doses of insulin, the terrifying reality is that the the diabetic patient will die.

Due to the fact that Insulin is so expensive, it comes as no surprise that insurance copays are very costly as well. For many insulin dependent individuals it is a constant worry if they will be able to afford to purchase their life sustaining insulin. Out of necessity many individuals have been known to skimp on their doses to try to extend their supply. This is a very dangerous juggling game for an insulin dependent patient to play.

Please vote in favor of HB1114 which would cap insulin copays for All ND administered insurance plans through the ND Insurance Commissioner's Office.

Thank you for reviewing my testimony.

Sincerely,

Brenda R. Wiese