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I have been a licensed psychologist in Oregon for 20+ years. Oregon has long recognized that confidentiality is a critical and fundamental component of effective psychotherapy or counseling. People seeking treatment, of any kind, must have an assurance that their information will remain confidential. Insurance companies do gather information, but that is fundamentally different than the intent of SB303. Insurance is paying for the services as a part of a mutually agreed upon service agreement. While I have no personal/professional interest in operating a psilocybin service center or being a service facilitator, SB303 is misguided. There is no need for patient information to be gathered by the state that overrides our foundational respect for privacy. I call upon you to respect privacy regardless of what type of treatment is pursued. Thank you.