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On Behalf Of:
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To Whom It May Concern,

As a physical therapist and a native Oregonian, I'm writing to share my support for House Bill 3134, especially its efforts to reform the prior authorization process for physical therapy services. This bill is an important step toward helping patients get the care they need without unnecessary delays or red tape.

In my work, I've seen how frustrating and harmful prior authorization requirements can be for patients. These delays often mean people have to wait longer for treatment—whether they're recovering from an injury, dealing with chronic pain, or trying to regain mobility. Waiting for approval can slow down progress, cause unnecessary stress, and sometimes even make their health worse. HB 3134 would help cut through these barriers and allow physical therapists like me to focus on providing timely care that makes a real difference in people's lives.

Providing patients access has been something that has been important to me throughout my whole life. Growing up I was able to see my dad first hand work with state and national legislature to provide his patients as a health care worker improved access. His passion in this field has grown and driving my own passion. This bill would help provide my patients and all the patients in Oregon a significant improvement in access to care.

By passing this bill, Oregon has the chance to make healthcare more efficient and patient-centered. I hope you'll support HB 3134 and help us prioritize care over paperwork—it's a win for everyone involved.

Thank you for considering this important issue!

Sincerely,