# MHPAEA Assumptions for MHPAEA (B) Working Group

1. MHPAEA regulations are sequential and interrelated
2. At its core, MHPAEA is about addressing discriminatory differences in how plans/issuers apply limitations to MH/SUD benefits.
3. Parity as a concept, and as contemplated in the laws and regulations, requires comparability analyses
   1. For quantitative measures, comparability is measured as a function of expected claims dollar amounts ratios
   2. For nonquantitative measures, comparability is measured as a comparison of the factors and standards used to arrive at the limitations to be applied.
4. Analyses must be completed at inception and on an ongoing basis, i.e., as written and in operation.