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ATTN: Chair Klein, Co-Chair Koegel, Co-Chair O'Driscoll and Committee Members

I am writing on behalf of Fernbrook Family Center as a request that you support **SF4018/HF3904**. This bill would be instrumental in building capacity and infrastructure to provide mental health services to kids and families in Minnesota.

The needs of kids and families have increased significantly and the lack of access to mental health services is putting them at great risk. Provider shortages and burnout are problematic and worsening.

This bill would eliminate unnecessary barriers for Clinical Trainees to be able to provide mental health services. Clinical Trainees are fully trained and are receiving supervision hours to ensure high quality service delivery. Clinical Trainees are currently providing psychotherapy services across our service areas and adding language in statute to ensure these services are reimbursable will create sustainability.

We ask that you vote to support **SF4018/HF3904** during the hearing on March 17, 2026!

Thank you!

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