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Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman  
Albany County Legislature  
112 State St., Rm. 710  
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham,

The Department of Mental Health is requesting legislative authorization to enter into a contract renewal agreement with Cantata Health Solutions for the ongoing subscription and license agreement for the operation of patient and billing software. The software includes web-based access for the clinicians, patient portal access, billing modules, e-signature capabilities, the NYS Clinical Records Initiative compliance, use of e-prescribing, and the expansion of the Mental Health Electronic Health Record (EHR) system. Cantata Health Solutions absorbed Information Management Associates (IMA, Mental Health Department's previous contractor) in 2025 and assumed all services previously provided by IMA. The contract is for a five year period with a total cost of \$833,580.

Feel free to contact Michael Fitzgerald or me if you have any questions concerning this request.

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
Director of Mental Health

C.C. Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader  
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