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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 requests permission to enter into a three-year contract with Psychiatric Group of Albany (PGA) for the provision of psychiatrist and nurse practitioner behavioral health services to patients being served at the Albany County Department of Mental Health. The first-year contract is not to exceed \$1,988,439 in total with a zero percent increase in year two and a three percent increase in year three.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen Giordano, Ph.D.  
Director

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader  
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader  
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