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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Board Members

FROM: Kendra Goodman, CPPB, Purchasing Agent

SUBJECT: Permission to Negotiate a One-Year Contract
Comprehensive Behavioral Care

On August 1, 2006, official action (attached) was taken to approve the third-year of a negotiated, three-year contract with Comprehensive Behavioral Care (Comp Care), renewable annually at the mutual consent of the parties. CompCare provides mental and behavioral health plan benefits to District employees. This contract is due to expire on December 31, 2007.

The Employee Benefits Department is requesting permission to negotiate a one-year contract with CompCare, for the term January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008 (see attached memo from Mary Tillman, Director of Employee Benefits). The goal is to synchronize the term of CompCare's contract with the District's current health care plan. In early 2008 the Insurance Committee anticipates beginning the solicitation process for health plan providers for the term January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009. As part of this process, we may solicit proposals incorporating these mental and behavioral health plan benefits. Negotiating a one-year contract with CompCare now will allow District employees to have continued coverage for these benefits for calendar year 2008. Purchasing has verified that this negotiation falls within the scope of DOE Rule 6A-1.012(11).

We will bring final contract terms, conditions and pricing back to the Board for approval at the conclusion of the negotiation process. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mary Tillman or me at your earliest convenience.

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Attachment