

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
DES MOINES, IOWA**

**CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION 96-548
DECEMBER 16, 1996 AGENDA**

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACT	◆ RESOLUTION ORDINANCE RECEIVE/FILE	LYNN LESLIE PERSONNEL/CIVIL SERVICE ADMINISTRATOR

SYNOPSIS —

Assignment of the occupational health services contract to Concentra Medical Centers is necessary for the provision of occupational health services from December 23, 1996 through March 31, 1997. The assignment is necessitated by the recent announcement that Mercy Occupational Medicine Clinic will close its operation at 411 Laurel on Friday, December 20, 1996. The City will process a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a long-term contract by January 3, 1997.

FISCAL IMPACT —

Concentra agrees to an assignment of the Mercy contract with the City for a fee of \$14,333.33 per month for three months. The funds for this contract will be paid from Trust and Agency Funds included in the FY1996-97 Operating Budget, page 276.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval of the proposed assignment and fee.

BACKGROUND —

In November 1994, the City closed its internal employee health clinic and contracted with Mercy Occupational Medicine Clinic for the provision of those services. The City and Mercy Occupational Medicine Clinic extended that contract on a monthly basis pending results of a new RFP. On Tuesday, December 10, 1996, we received official notice that Mercy Clinics, Inc. was forming a joint venture with Concentra Medical Centers effective December 23, 1996.

Concentra has agreed to honor an assignment of the Mercy contract through March 31, 1997. The assignment is needed to avoid a disruption of services until the RFP regarding long-term occupational health services has been completed.