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Modern Clinic Helps Attract New Physicians for Iowa Town

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Attracting young doctors to Iowa towns has been an ongoing challenge. With New Hampton’s outdated clinic located many blocks from the hospital, there was a significant opportunity to improve health care delivery and outcome for patients, as well as the working environment for doctors and nurses delivering those services. The hospital hired Accord Architecture and Henkel Construction Company to help them connect the hospital and clinic and solve those problems for the community.

The new 11,000 square foot medical clinic attaches directly to the north end of the hospital. The advantages are clear even to a novice observer. Patients entering the clinic will be within mere feet of virtually all of the services needed to complete their treatment.

Important design features include a more efficient “pod” layout for providers, nurses, and exam rooms. A pneumatic tube system from the clinic lab speeds up lab results and reduces time spent delivering samples. A new drive-under canopy was added to the main entrance to help define the main entry. It also serves to tie in the design of the new clinic with the existing hospital.

In addition to better outcomes and more efficient health care, the new facilities have satisfied another need. Six new doctors have agreed to join Mercy-New Hampton, bringing the latest knowledge of treatments and a terrific source of talent. “We are extremely excited with our new facility,” said Bruce Roesler, President/CEO of Mercy Medical Center-New Hampton. “The new clinic is beautiful. I feel the combination of our new clinic space and the new physicians will keep us viable and growing for years to come. Ultimately, our city and our patients will be the winners.”

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