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3 (ITEM ) From the Sheriff requesting to execute a professional service contract with  
4 Health Care Partners, Inc. (HCP) to provide one or more providers  
5 including a House Physician, Psychiatrist, Physician Assistant or Nurse  
6 Practitioner for the County Correctional Facilities:

7 A RESOLUTION

8 WHEREAS, the Sheriff of Milwaukee County requests the authority to  
9 execute a professional service contract with Health Care Partners, Inc. (HCP) to  
10 provide one or more providers including a House Physician, Psychiatrist, Physician  
11 Assistant or Nurse Practitioner for the County Correctional Facilities and request  
12 approval of payment for services provided prior to County Board approval of  
13 contract; and

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15 WHEREAS, the County Correctional Facilities Medical Unit had been  
16 supervised by a long time county employee who recently retired and the Office of the  
17 Sheriff has attempted to fill the position on a permanent basis but has had difficulty  
18 in finding an adequate replacement; this is an essential position to the Agency and  
19 cannot remain vacant; and

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21 WHEREAS, the Office of the Sheriff has entered into a contract with Health  
22 Care Partners, Inc. (HCP) who has located a medical doctor, Dr. Allison Benthall, to  
23 serve as the Staff Physician for the Office of the Sheriff on a contractual basis and  
24 the Office of the Sheriff has entered into the contract with HCP prior to the County  
25 Board approval due to the pressing need for a Staff Physician in the Correctional  
26 Facilities and to remain in compliance with the Christensen Consent Decree; and

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28 WHEREAS, the Sheriff will continue to recruit for a Medical Director and when  
29 successful, the hours for Dr. Benthall will be reduced or eliminated; and

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31 WHEREAS, Dr. Benthall shall perform all of the tasks and achieve the  
32 objectives set forth below:

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- 35 • Provide inpatient adult medical services including the
  - 36 evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of adults
  - 37 • Prescribe and administer medications
  - 38 • Examining, diagnosing and treating inmates
  - 39 • Serve as an expert witness in courts
  - 40 • Complete medical orders
  - 41 • Participate in quality improvement activities; and

42 WHEREAS, this contract is to be performed on an annual basis beginning  
43 August 8, 2011 and the cost of the contract is based upon an hourly rate range of  
44 \$110 - \$130 per hour; annualized estimated costs are \$249,600 and 2011 costs are  
45 projected to be \$100,800; now, therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED, the Sheriff is hereby authorized execute a contract to  
48 provide a Staff Physician for the County Correctional Facilities for the Office of the  
49 Sheriff and allow for payment of any services received prior to County Board  
50 approval of said contract.

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53 **Fiscal Note:** The estimated annualized cost of the contract is \$249,600 and will be  
54 paid for by existing resources within the Office of the Sheriff 2011 Adopted Budget.  
55 Funding was budgeted for a full time staff member for 2011 with estimated annual  
56 costs of \$271,032 including benefits. Estimated 2011 costs are \$100,800.

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