



- Allergy & Immunology
- Bariatrics
- Cardiothoracic Surgery
- Ears, Nose, Throat & Allergy
- Gastroenterology
- General Surgery
- Heart Center
- Infectious Disease
- Interventional Pain Management
- Neurology
- Orthopedics, Sport Medicine & Rehab.
- Plastics & Reconstructive Surgery
- Podiatry
- Psychiatry
- Sleep Medicine
- Urology
- Vascular Surgery

Outpatient departments  
of MercyOne North Iowa  
Medical Center at  
Mason City Clinic



250 S. Crescent Dr.  
Mason City, IA 50401  
641-494-5200  
MCclinic.com  
MercyOne.org/northiowa

March 9, 2022

Dear Committee Chair and Members:

My name is Dr. Edward S. Henrich, Podiatrist at the Mason City Clinic. I have been in practice in the North Iowa/Mason City area for over 31+ years. I have been a general podiatric practitioner serving this rural Iowa community.

I appreciate you giving me a chance to express my thoughts through this letter. I want to convey the fact that this bill is really important from the standpoint that it will help me be able to practice in the rural Minnesota areas, such as Albert Lea, and the surrounding cities. I also think it is important from the standpoint that it may help other providers in the same situation I am in. If I can get up to Minnesota and practice, I will also feel I can act as a stimulus to help out and recruit future podiatrists to help serve the community in the years to come.

I have always had a philosophy since I started practicing 30 years ago to serve the rural counties and communities around the Mason City area. I know I practice in an area of Iowa where there is a lot of small towns, and they have a harder time getting to the big city. I have always had what I call a "roadshow," going out to the smaller areas. I feel like going to them rather than them coming to me makes it much easier for the patients. That seems to have worked well for me in the past.

I look at the above philosophy working in Minnesota, as well. I also think that some of the nursing homes are underserved in southern Minnesota, and I look to work in some capacity to help them out. Being a part of MercyOne Medical Center, I would come to Albert Lea and serve in their clinic and do general podiatry. I do think my services are needed would be appreciated in that community and could build a good rapport for future podiatrist.

Thank you very much for your time and attention helping me with this bill. If you have any thoughts or considerations, please let me know. Your time and attention to this matter has been much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Edward S. Henrich, DPM  
MercyOne Speciality Clinics at Mason City Clinic  
250 S. Crescent Dr.  
Mason City, IA 50401  
Phone: 641-434-5340

ESH/jg