IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEVADA

DARIA HARPER, an individual; and Case No. 82158 DANIEL WININGER, an individual,

Appellants,

vs.

COPPERPOINT MUTUAL INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY, corporation; GENERAL Arizona an COPPERPOINT **INSURANCE COMPANY**, an Arizona LAW OFFICES corporation; OF MARSHALL SILVERBERG, P.C **KENNE**TH California corporation; MARSHALL SILVERBERG aka MARSHALL SILVERBERG aka K. MARSHALL SILVERBERG. an individual.

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Respondents.

APPEAL

from an order entered by the Eighth Judicial District Court, Clark County, Nevada The Honorable Jerry A. Wiese, III, District Court Judge District Court Case No. A-20-814541-C

JOINT APPENDIX VOLUME II

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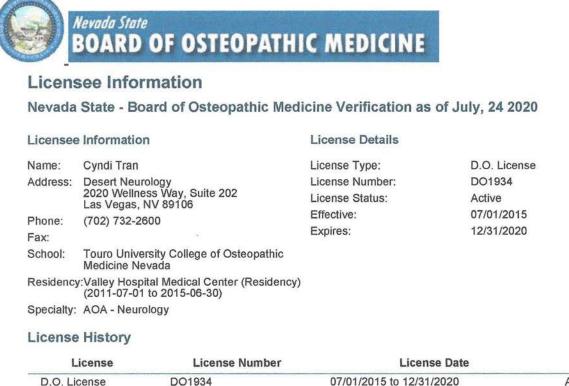
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Other State Disciplinary Actions

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Malpractice Claims

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A-16-738004-C	06/07/2016	Settled	Clark County, NV	

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For further questions regarding discipline or malpractice information, please contact us at: 702-732-2147

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Nevada	State - Board of Osteopathic	Medicine Verification as	of July, 24 2020
License	e Information	License Details	
Name:	Paul Harlan Janda	License Type:	D.O. License
Address:		License Number:	DO1588
	2020 Wellness Way, Suite 306 Las Vegas, NV 89106	License Status:	Active
Phone:	(702) 432-2233	Effective:	01/11/2011

Phone: (702) 432-2233 Effective Fax: (702) 800-5456 Expires: School: Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine California Expires: Residency: Valley Hospital Medical Center (Residency) (2007-06-24 to 2012-06-30) Effective

Specialty: AOA - Neurology

License History

License	License Number	License Date	Status
D.O. License	DO1588	01/11/2011 to 12/31/2020	Active
SL License	SL0516	06/24/2007 to 06/30/2012	Expired

Disciplinary Action

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License	e Information	License Details	
Name: Address:	Elizabeth Pui Phung-Hart	License Type: License Number:	D.O. License DO2071
Phone: Fax: School:	, Touro University College of Osteopathic Medicine Nevada	License Status: Effective: Expires:	Expired: Elective Non-Renew 07/01/2016 01/01/2017
Residenc	y:Valley Hospital Medical Center (Residency) (2014-07-01 to 2017-06-30)		
Specialty	Internal Medicine		

License History

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Address:	1450 Treat Blvd Walnut Creek, CA 945	597	License Number: License Status:	SL1012 Expired	
Phone:	(925) 296-9720		Effective:	07/01/2014	
Fax:	(925) 296-9030		Expires:	06/30/2017	
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1	Plaintiffs,	Case No.: A-16-738004-C
2	V.	Dept. No.: XVII
3	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER,	
1	INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER; VALLEY HEALTH	
5	SYSTEMS, LLC, doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER; JEFFREY	DEFENDANT PAUL JANDA, D.O.'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S
5	DAVIDSON, M.D.; CYNDI TRAN, D.O. PAUL JANDA, D.O.; ELIZABEETH PHUNG-HART,	COMPLAINT
7	D.O.; ANDREA AGCAOILI, D.O.; MURAD JUSSA, M.D., and, DOES 1 through 250, inclusive,	
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)	Defendants.	
)	DEFENDANT JANDA, D.O.'S ANSWI	ER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT
2	Defendant Paul Janda, D.O. (Defendant h	herein), by and through his attorneys of reco
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COMPANY.

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24	herein) as follows:
25	STATEMENT OF FACTS
26	1. Answering Paragraph 1 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
27	information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
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therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

2. Answering Paragraph 2 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

3. Answering Paragraph 3 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

4. Answering Paragraph 4 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

5. Answering Paragraph 5 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant admits he was and now is a physician and holds himself out as duly licensed to practice his profession under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada and was and now is engaged in the practice of his profession in the State of Nevada, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the remaining facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
6. Answering Paragraph 6 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the new paragraph 6 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

Answering Paragraph 7 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
 information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged

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therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
8. Answering Paragraph 8 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

1	9. Answering Paragraph 9 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
2	information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
3	therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
4	10. Answering Paragraph 10 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
5	information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
6 7	therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
8	11. Answering Paragraph 11 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
9	information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
10	therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
11	12. Answering Paragraph 12 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
12	information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
13	therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
14 15	13. Answering Paragraph 13 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant admits the declarations of
15	Drs. Beer and Ritter were attached to the Complaint served upon Defendant, but affirmatively
17	denies all allegations of negligence and wrongdoing continued with those declarations.
18	I.
19	PLAINTIFF DARIA HARPER'S CAUSE OF ACTION
20	14. Answering Paragraph 14 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant refers to Paragraphs 1
21	through 13 of this Answer, and by reference, incorporate the same herein as if fully set forth.
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23	15. Answering Paragraph 15 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient

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information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
16. Answering Paragraph 16 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient
information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged
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therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

Answering Paragraph 17 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of 17. negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

Answering Paragraph 18 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds he lacks sufficient 18. 7 information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts alleged 8 9 therein and therefore denies them on that basis.

10 19. Answering Paragraph 19 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of 11 negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a 12 belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies 13 them on that basis. 14

Answering Paragraph 20 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of 20. 15 negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a 16 17 belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies 18 them on that basis.

19 Answering Paragraph 21 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of 21. negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies 22 them on that basis. 23

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- Answering Paragraph 22 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of 24 22. 25 negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a 26 belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies 27 them on that basis. 28 - 4 -

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2	II.
3	PLAINTIFF DANIEL WINIGER'S CAUSE OF ACTION
4	23. Answering Paragraph 23 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant refers to Paragraphs 1
5	through 22 of this Answer, and by reference, incorporate the same herein as if fully set forth.
6 7	24. Answering Paragraph 24 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant responds that he lacks
8	sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a belief about the truth or falsity of the facts
9	alleged therein and therefore denies them on that basis.
10	25. Answering Paragraph 25 of Plaintiff's Complaint, Defendant denies all allegations of
11	negligence and wrongdoing, and he lacks sufficient information and/or knowledge to form a
12	belief about the truth or falsity of the remainder of the facts alleged therein and therefore denies
13	them on that basis.
14	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES
15 16	1. Defendant performed and fully discharged all medical and legal obligations to Plaintiff,
10	including meeting the requisite standard of care to which Plaintiff was entitled.
18	2. In all of the treatment provided and rendered to Plaintiff by Defendant, the Plaintiff was
19	fully informed of the risks inherent in such medical procedures and the risks inherent in her own
20	failure to comply with instructions, and did voluntarily assume all risks attendant thereto.
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22	3. Plaintiff's damages, if any, were caused by the disease process and/or medical condition
23	of Plaintiff and not by any act and/or omission by Defendant.

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24 4. Defendant alleges that the Complaint fails to state a compensable claim for relief as
25 against this Defendant.
26 5. This answering Defendant hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses
27 enumerated in Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the
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1	event further investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, this
2	answering Defendant reserves the right to seek leave of court to amend this Answer to
3	specifically assert any such defenses. Such defenses are herein incorporated by reference for the
4	specific purpose of not waiving any such defenses.
5 6	6. Defendant was required to retain the services of an attorney to defend this action and is
7	entitled to an award of reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit.
8	7. Plaintiff failed to take reasonable efforts to mitigate damages, if any, and is therefore
9	barred from recovering any damages from this answering Defendant.
10	8. Plaintiff failed to join a party pursuant to N.R.C.P. 19 necessary for the just adjudication
11	of the claims at issue in this action.
12	9. This answering Defendant denies each and every allegation of the Complaint not
13	specifically admitted or otherwise pled herein.
14 15	10. Defendant asserts that Plaintiff's injuries, if any, were caused by the actions or inactions
15	of persons over whom Defendant had neither control nor right of control and for whom this
17	answering Defendant are not liable or responsible.
18	11. Pursuant to N.R.C.P. 11 and 15, Defendant reserves the right to amend this Answer to
19	include any cross-claims, third-party complaints, or counter cross-claims, and any and all
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21	affirmative defenses which have a reasonable basis in both law and fact and which are heretofore
22	unknown.
23	12. Defendant avails to all affirmative defenses as set forth in NRS 41A.035, 41A.045,

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41A.100, 11.220, 41A.110, 41.141, 41.503, 41.505, and 42.021.
13. Plaintiff is barred from asserting claims against Defendant because the alleged damages were the result of one or more unforeseeable intervening and superceding causes.
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14. Defendant asserts that the Complaint should be dismissed on the basis that all treatment that Defendant rendered to Plaintiff was not the proximate cause of any alleged injury sustained by Plaintiff.

15. Defendant asserts that the Complaint should be dismissed on the basis that Plaintiff has not complied with NRS 41A.071.

16. Defendant asserts that the Complaint is barred by the statute of limitations.

7 17. Defendant alleges that any injuries or damages allegedly sustained or suffered by the
8 Plaintiff at the times and places referred to in the Complaint, were caused, in whole or in part, or
9 were contributed to, by the negligence or fault or want of care of the Plaintiff, and the
10 negligence, fault or want of care on the part of the Plaintiff was greater than that, if any, of these
11 answering Defendants, the existence of which is specifically denied.

18. Plaintiff's cause of actions must be dismissed based upon the reasoning of <u>Zohar v.</u>
 <u>Zbiegien</u>, 130 Nev. Adv. Op. 74, 334 P.3d 402 (2014) wherein no qualified expert affidavit

¹⁴ opines on Plaintiff's injuries as attributable to Defendant's alleged negligence.

19. Plaintiff's Complaint must be dismissed due to violation of N.R.C.P. 4(i).

20. Defendant alleges that the injuries and damages, if any, complained of by the Plaintiff were unforeseeable.

21. Plaintiff's Complaint violates the Statute of Frauds.

22. Defendant alleges that the injuries and damages, if any, suffered by Plaintiff can and do occur in the absence of negligence.

23. Plaintiff's claims are barred by the equitable doctrines of waiver, release, laches, unclean hands, and equitable estoppel, including but not limited to Plaintiff and other third-parties and

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their agents and employees inspected and approved the work performed by Defendant and

agreed and approved that Defendant's work performed was satisfactory.

24. Plaintiff received all or effectively all of the benefit of the Defendants' treatment that Plaintiff hoped and intended to receive and to that extent any damages that Plaintiff might be entitled to recover must be correspondingly reduced.

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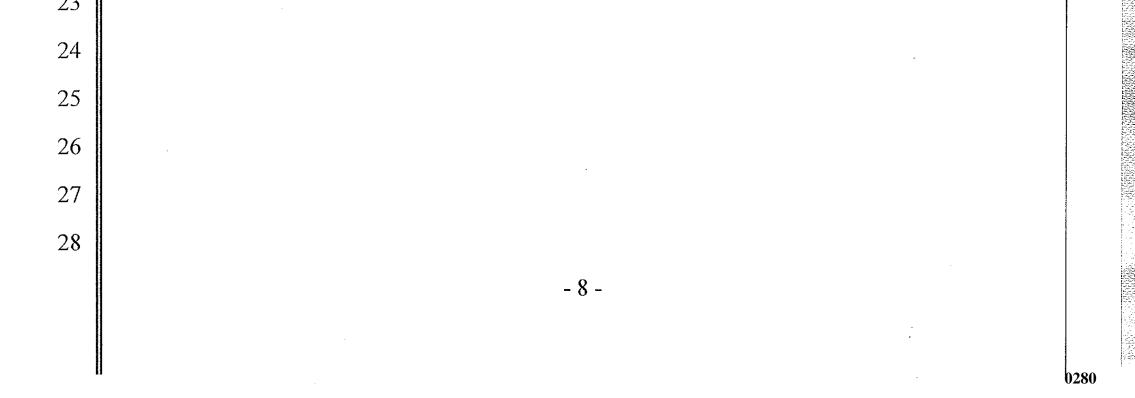
1	WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for judgment as follows:
2	1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of the Complaint and that the Complaint be
3	dismissed with prejudice;
4	2. That Defendant be awarded the costs and attorneys' fees incurred in defending
5	this action; and
6	3. That the Court award Defendant any other relief it deems appropriate under the
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8	circumstances.
9	Dated this 11 th day of October 2016.
10	JOHN H. COTTON & ASSOCIATES, LTD. 7900 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 200
11	Las Vegas, Nevada 89117
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13	/s/ Adam Schneider
14	JOHN H. COTTON, ESQ. ADAM SCHNEIDER, ESQ.
15	Attorneys for Defendant Paul Janda, D.O.
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
2	I hereby certify that on this <u>11th</u> day of October 2016, I served the foregoing	
3	DEFENDANT PAUL JANDA, D.O.'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT by	
4	filing a true and correct copy of the same through the Clerk of the Court using the Wiznet	
5	Electronic Filing and Service system upon all parties with an email address on record in this	
6	action:	
7	Thomas S. Alch, Esq.	
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9	Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 -and-	
10	100 N. Cresent Dr., Ste. 360	
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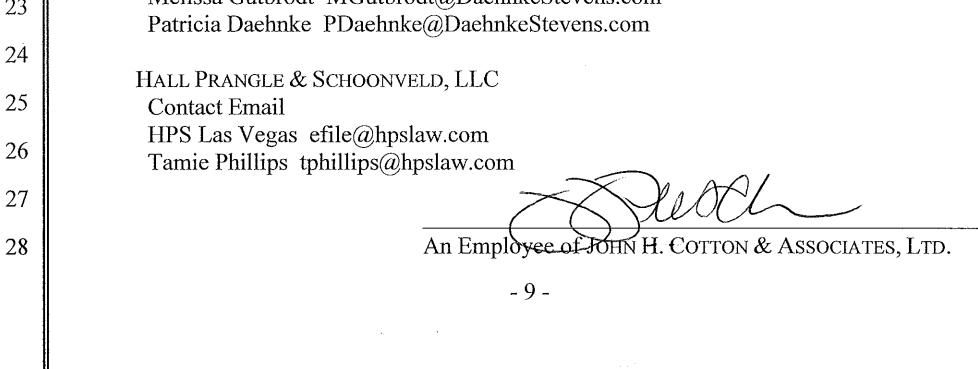
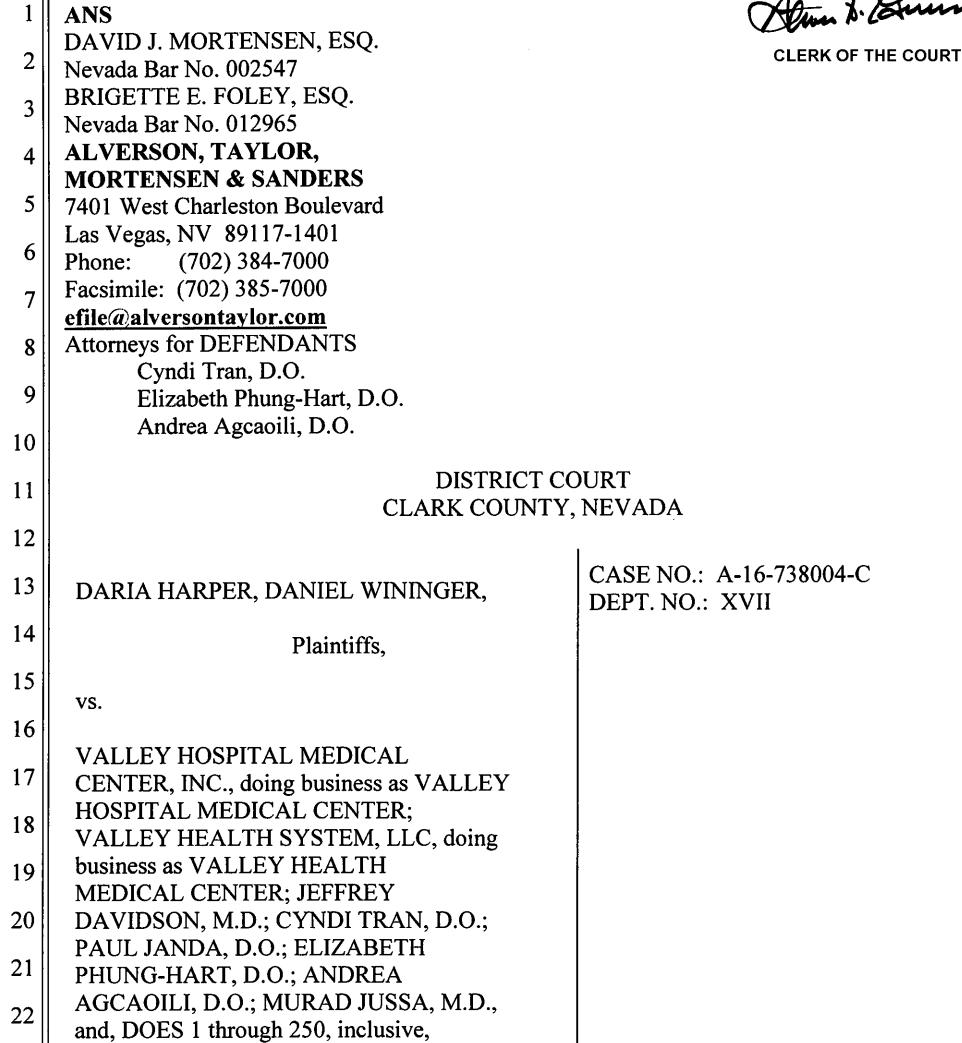


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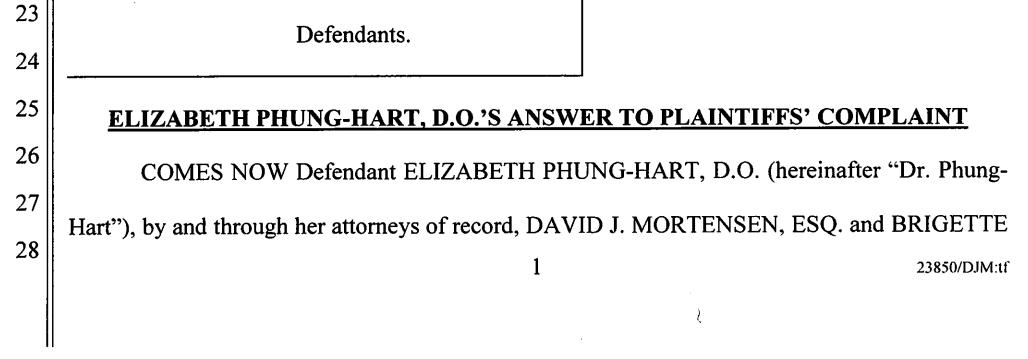
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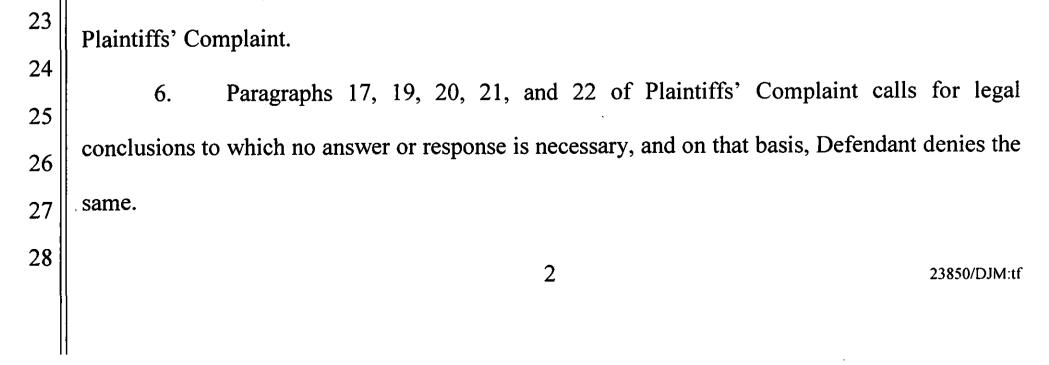
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1	E. FOLEY, ESQ. of the law firm of ALVERSON, TAYLOR, MORTENSEN & SANDERS, and			
2	hereby answers Plaintiffs' Complaint, as follows:			
3	GENERAL ALLEGATIONS			
4	1. Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the			
5	truth of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Plaintiffs'			
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8	2. In answering paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Answering Defendant admits			
9	she was at all times a physician holding herself out as duly licensed to practice her profession			
10	under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada, and was engaged in the practice of that			
11	profession in the State of Nevada. The remainder of the allegations contained in this paragraph			
12	refer to other Defendants, which Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to			
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14	3. Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no			
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16	answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same.			
17	FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Medical Malprestice)			
18	(Medical Malpractice)			
19	4. Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations			
20	contained within paragraphs 1 through 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully			
21	set forth herein.			
22	5. Answering Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 15 and 16 of			

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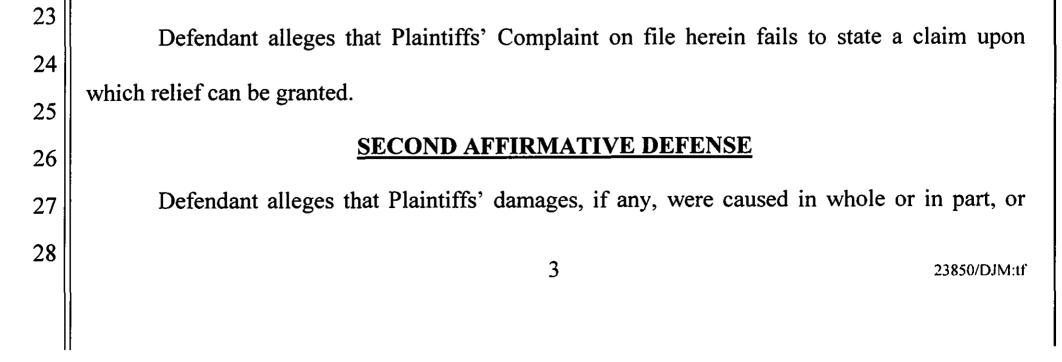


Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the 1 7. truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies 2 3 the same. 4 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (Loss of Consortium) 5 6 Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations 8. 7 contained within paragraphs 1 through 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully 8 set forth herein. 9 Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the 9. 10 truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies 11 the same. 12 13 Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no 10. 14 answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same. 15 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF** 16 Answering Defendant denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to any of the requested relief as 17 contained within their Complaint. 18 **GENERAL DENIAL** 19 Answering Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Plaintiffs' Complaint 20 21 that is not specifically admitted to be true. 22 FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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were contributed to by reason of the negligence or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs.
 <u>THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>
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All risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in the Complaint were open, obvious, and known to Plaintiffs and said Plaintiffs voluntarily assumed said risks and dangers.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The incident alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint and the resulting damages, if any, to Plaintiffs were proximately caused or contributed to by Plaintiffs' own negligence, and such negligence was greater than the alleged negligence of Defendant.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that the occurrence referred to in the Complaint, and all injuries and damages, if any, resulting there from were caused by the acts or omissions of a third party over whom Defendant had no control.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

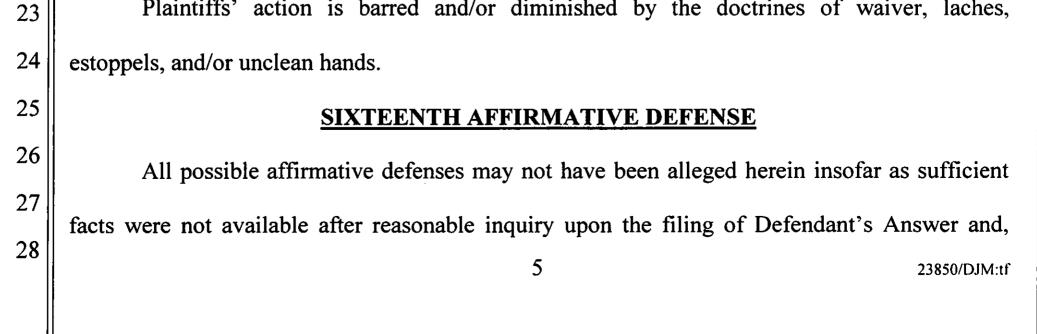
Defendant has fully performed and discharged all obligations owed to Plaintiffs, including meeting the requisite standard of care to which Plaintiffs were entitled.

SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

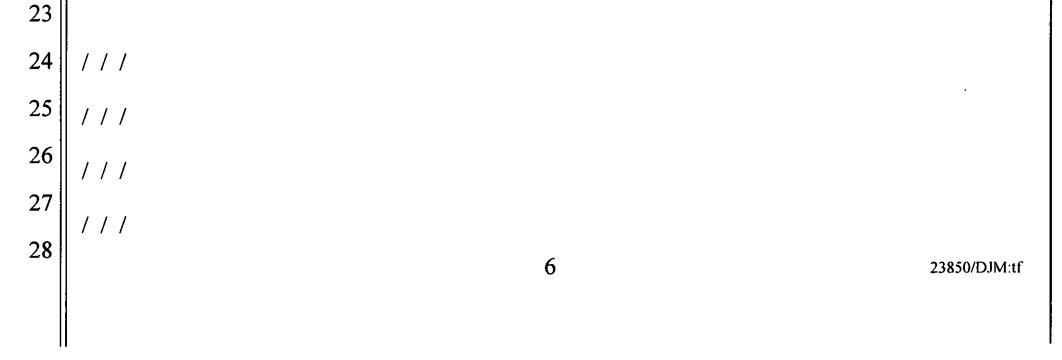
Defendant alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiffs were suffering from a medical condition(s) that Defendant did not cause, nor was Defendant responsible for said medical condition(s)

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EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
If Plaintiffs have sustained any injuries or damages, such were the result of intervening
and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by
Defendant, and for which Defendant is not liable.
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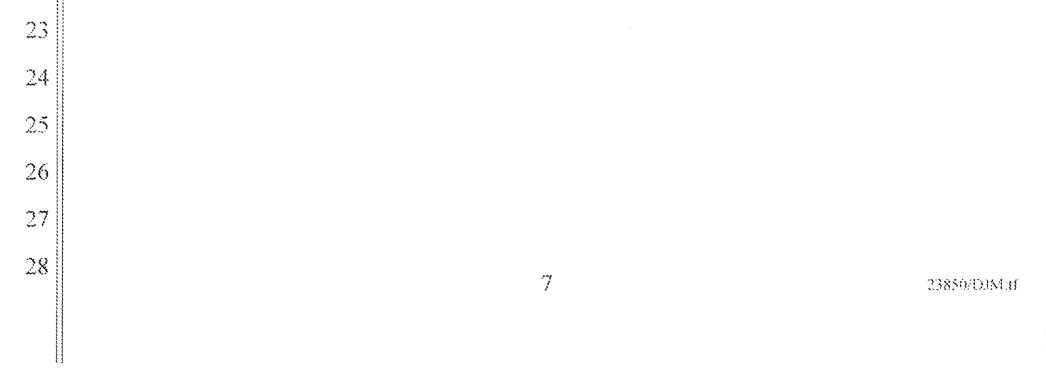
	1	NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	2	Plaintiffs are barred from recovering any special damages herein as a result of the failure
	3	to comply with the provisions of NRCP 9(g).
	4	TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	5	Defendant alleges that, pursuant to Nevada law, Defendants would not be jointly liable,
	6 7	and that if liability is imposed, such liability would be several for that portion of Plaintiffs'
	8	damages, if any, that represents the percentage attributable to Defendants.
	9	ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	10	Plaintiffs' claims are governed and/or barred pursuant to NRS Chapters 1, 40, 41, and
	11	41A, and by the provisions of Question 3 passed by the People of the State of Nevada on
	12	November 2, 2004.
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	14	TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
1-7000	15	Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is void ab initio as it does not include an affidavit which
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	17	THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	18	Plaintiffs had a duty to mitigate their damages and failed to do so.
	19	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	20	Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statutes of limitations and/or repose.
	21	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	22	Plaintiffs' action is barred and/or diminished by the doctrines of waiver, laches,
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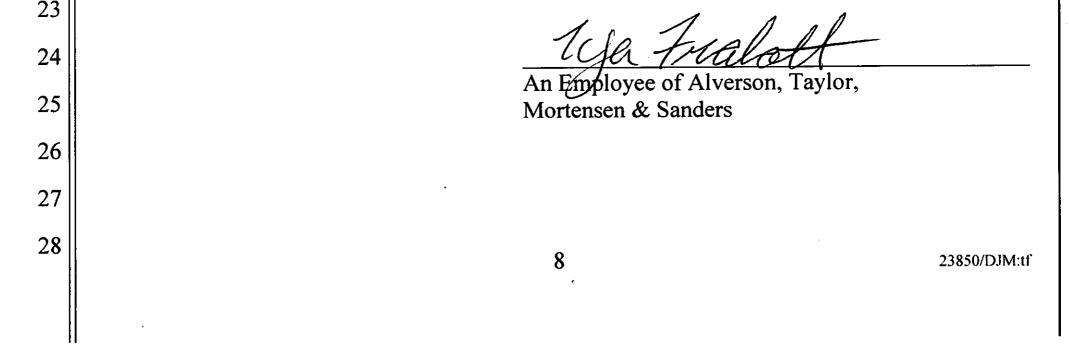
therefore, Defendant reserves the right to amend the Answer, and to allege additional 1 2 Affirmative Defenses if subsequent investigation so warrants. 3 SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 4 Defendant did not violate any statute, ordinance, or regulation referenced in Plaintiffs' 5 Amended Complaint. 6 **EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE** 7 It been necessary for this Defendant to employ the services of an attorney to defend this 8 action and a reasonable sum should be allowed to Defendant for attorney's fees, together with 9 10 costs of suit incurred herein. 11 **NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE** 12 Defendant hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in 13 Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the event further 14 investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, Defendant reserves the 15 right to seek leave of Court to amend the Answer to specifically assert the same. Such defenses 16 17 are herein incorporated by reference for the specific purpose of not waiving the same. 18 19 20 21 22



	WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for relief as follows:
2	1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of their Complaint on file herein.
3	2. For reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in defending this litigation.
4	3. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.
5 6	DATED this day of October, 2016:
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15	E-File: efile@alversontaylor.com Attorneys for DEFENDANTS
16	Cyndi Tran, D.O. Elizabeth Phung-Hart, D.O.
17	Andrea Agcaoili, D.O.
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	1	<u>CERTIFICATI</u>	E OF SERVICE		
	2	The undersigned hereby certifies that on the 124^{++} day of October, 2016, the foregoing			
	3	ELIZABETH PHUNG-HART, D.O.'S ANS	WER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT was		
	4	served on the following by Electronic Servic	e to All parties on the Wiznet Service List,		
5 addressed as follows:			•		
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	7	Thomas S. Alch, Esq. LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS S. ALCH	Patricia Daehnke, Esq. DAEHNKE STEVENS LLP		
	8	500 N. Rainbow Blvd, Suite 300 Las Vegas, Nevada 89107	2300 W. Sahara Ave Suite 680 Box 32		
	9	Phone: (702) 740-4140 Attorney for Plaintiffs	Las Vegas, NV 89102 Phone: (702) 979-2132		
	10		Attorney for Jussa Murad, M.D.		
	11	Kenneth M. Webster, Esq. Tyson J. Dobbs, Esq.			
	12	Kirill V. Mikhaylov, Esq. HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC			
	13	1160 North Town Center Drive, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89144			
-	14	Phone: (702) 889-6400			
702) 384-7000	15	Attorneys for Defendant Valley Health System, LLC and Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc.			
(707)	16	Robert C. McBride, Esq.			
	17	Chelsea R. Hueth, Ésq. CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN,			
	18	McKENNA & PEABODY			
	19	8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260 Las Vegas, NV 89113			
	20	Phone: (702) 792-5855 Attorneys for Jeffrey Davidson, M.D.			
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3 AFFIRMATION 2 Pursuant to N.R.S. 239B.030 3 The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding ELIZABETH PHUNG-HART, 4 D.O.'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT filed in District Court Case No. A-16-5 738004-C 6 7 Does not contain the social security number of any person. <u>X</u> 8 -OR-9 Contains the social security number of a person as required by: 10 A specific state or federal law, to wit: Α. 11 [Insert specific law] 12 ~Q¥~ 13 For the administration of a public program or for an application for Β. 14 a federal or state grant. 15 day of October, 2016. DATED this 16 ALVERSON, TAYLOR, 17 MORTENSEN & SÁNDERS 18 #13352 A 19 20DAVID J. MORTENSEN, ESQ. Nevada Bar No. 002547 21 BRIGETTE E. FOLEY, ESQ. Nevada Bar Nó. 012965 22 7401 W. Charleston Boulevard 23

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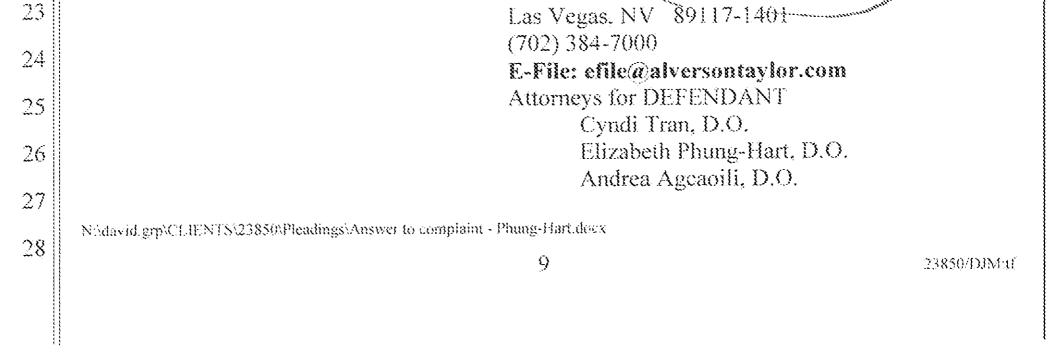


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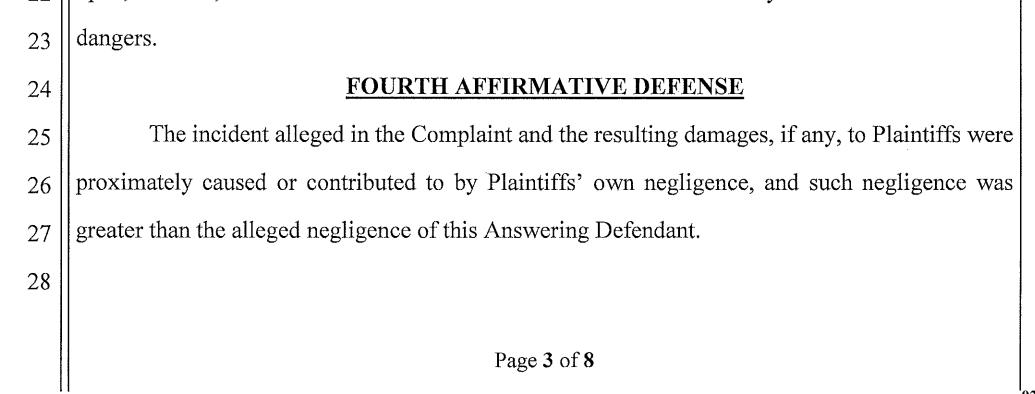
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11	CLARK COUN	NTY, NEVADA	
12	DARIA HARPER, DANIEL WININGER,	CASE NO.: A-10 DEPT: XVII	5-738004-C
13	Plaintiffs,		
14	VS.		
15	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER,		
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	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER; VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, doing business as VALLEY		
16	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER; VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER; JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D.; CYNDI TRAN, D.O.;		
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23	DEFENDANT, JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D.'S	
24	ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT	
25	COMES NOW Defendant, JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D., by and through his attorneys	
26	of record, ROBERT C. MCBRIDE, ESQ. and CHELSEA R. HUETH, ESQ. of the law firm of	
27	CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN, MCKENNA & PEABODY and hereby submits	
28	his Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint as follows:	
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1	MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	
2	LOSS OF CONSORTIUM	
3	1. Answering paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 11, Answering Defendant is without	
4	sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said	:
5	paragraphs and therefore denies the same.	
6	2. Answering paragraph 5, this Answering Defendant admits the allegations as to	
7	Jeffrey Davidson, M.D. and as to all remaining allegations, this answering Defendant is without	
8	sufficient knowledge and information to formulate a belief as to the truth of the allegations	
9	contained therein and, based upon such lack of information and belief, the same are hereby	
10	denied.	
11	3. Answering paragraphs 10 and 12, this Answering Defendant denies each and	
12	every allegation contained therein.	
13	4. Answering paragraph 13, this Answering Defendant admits that the expert	
14	declarations of David A. Neer, M.D. and Michael Steven Ritter, M.D. are attached to the	
15	complaint.	
16	I.	
17	PLAINTIFF DARIA HARPER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR MEDICAL	
18	MALPRACTICE AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:	
19	5. Defendant repeats and re-alleges his answers to Paragraph 1 through 13,	
20	inclusive, as if fully set forth herein.	
21	6. Answering paragraphs 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 this Answering	
22	Defendant denies each and every allegation contained therein.	
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    PLAINTIFF DANIEL WININGER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR LOSS
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    OF CONSORTIUM AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:
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               Defendant repeats and re-alleges his answers to Paragraph 1 through 22,
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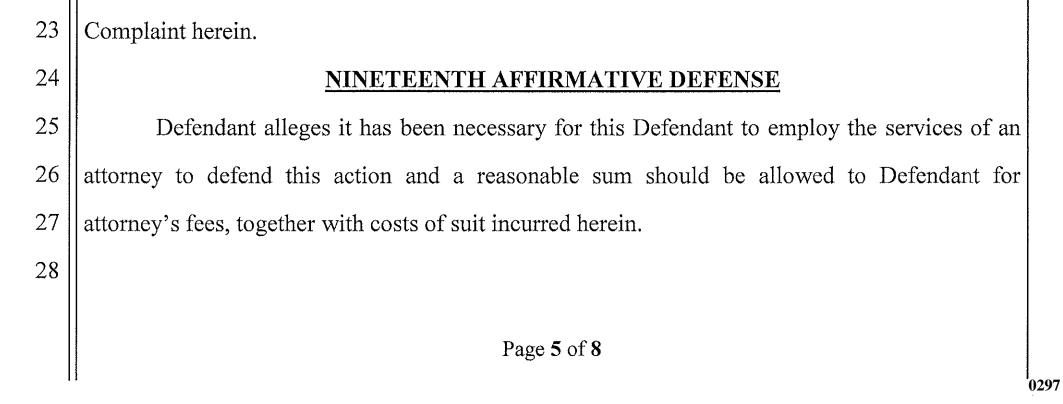
1	8. Answering paragraph 24, this answering Defendant is without sufficient		
2	knowledge and information to formulate a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained		
3	therein and, based upon such lack of information and belief, the same are hereby denied.		
4	9. Answering paragraph 25, this Answering Defendant denies said allegations in		
5	said paragraph.		
6	PRAYER FOR RELIEF		
7	This Answering Defendant denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to any of the requested relief		
8	as contained within Plaintiffs' Complaint.		
9	GENERAL DENIAL		
10	This Answering Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Plaintiffs'		
11	Complaint that is not specifically admitted to be true.		
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13	AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES		
14	FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
15	Defendant alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein fails to state claims upon		
16	which relief can be granted.		
17	SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
18	Defendant alleges that the damages, if any, were caused in whole or in part, or were		
19	contributed to by reason of the negligence or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs'.		
20	THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
21	All risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in the Complaint were		
22	open, obvious, and known to Plaintiffs' and said Plaintiffs' voluntarily assumed said risks and		



1	FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
2	Defendant alleges that the occurrence referred to in the Complaint, and all injuries and
3	damages, if any, resulting therefrom were caused by the acts or omissions of a third party over
4	whom Defendant had no control.
5	SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
6	Defendant has fully performed and discharged all obligations owed to Plaintiffs,
7	including meeting the requisite standard of care to which Plaintiff was entitled.
8	SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
9	Defendant alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiff was
10	suffering from a medical condition(s) which Defendant did not cause, nor was Defendant
11	responsible for said medical condition(s).
12	EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
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13	If Plaintiffs have sustained any injuries or damages, such were the result of intervening
13	and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by
14	and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by
14 15	and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by Defendant, and for which Defendant is not liable.
14 15 16	and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by Defendant, and for which Defendant is not liable. <u>NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE</u>
14 15 16 17	and/or superseding events, factors, occurrences, or conditions, which were in no way caused by Defendant, and for which Defendant is not liable. MINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE Plaintiffs are barred from recovering any special damages herein as a result of the failure
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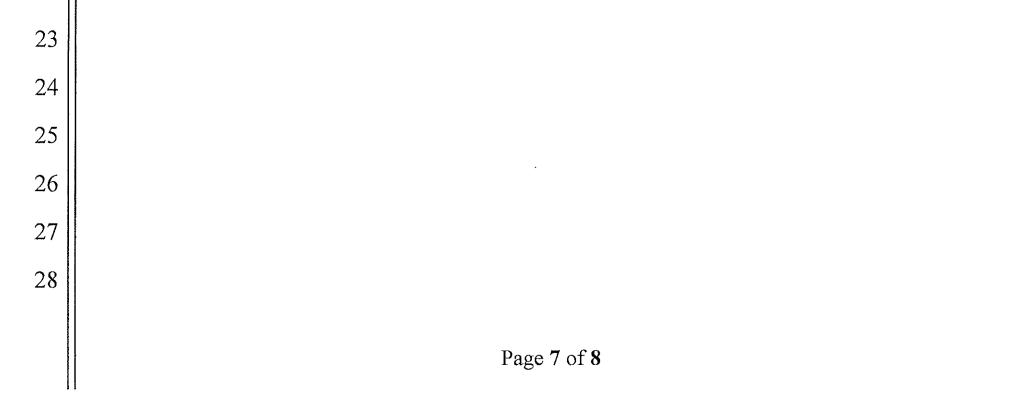
23	ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
24	Plaintiffs' claims are governed and/or barred pursuant to N.R.S. Chapter 1, N.R.S.	
25	Chapter 40, N.R.S. Chapter 41, and N.R.S. Chapter 41A and by the provisions of Question 3	
26	passed by the People of the State of Nevada on November 2, 2004.	
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1	TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
2	Plaintiffs' Complaint is void ab initio as it does not include an affidavit which meets with
3	requirements of N.R.S. 41A.
4	THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
5	Defendant alleges that Plaintiffs have a duty to mitigate her damages and has failed to do
6	so.
7	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
8	Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statutes of limitations and/or repose.
9	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
10	Defendant alleges that if he is found negligent, and Defendant denies all allegations of
11	negligence, that he is not jointly liable and would be only severally liable for the portion of the
12	claim that represents the percentage of negligence attributable to this Defendant.
13	SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
14	Plaintiffs' action is barred and/or diminished by the doctrines of waiver, laches,
15	estoppels, and/or unclean hands.
16	SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
17	All possible affirmative defenses may not have been alleged herein insofar as sufficient
18	facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upon the filing of Defendants' Answer and,
19	therefore, Defendants reserve the right to amend their Answers to allege additional Affirmative
20	Defenses if subsequent investigation so warrants.
21	EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
22	Defendant did not violate any statute, ordinance, or regulation referenced in Plaintiffs'



1	TWENTIETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	Defendant hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in	
3	Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the event further	
4	investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, Defendant reserves the	
5	right to seek leave of Court to amend their Answer to specifically assert the same. Such defenses	
6	are herein incorporated by reference for the specific purpose of not waiving the same.	
7	TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
8	Plaintiffs have failed to join all necessary parties.	
9	TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
10	Plaintiffs' non-economic damages, if any, may not exceed \$350,000.00 pursuant to NRS	
11	41A.035; Defendants are otherwise entitled to all protections, benefits, and set offs available to	
12	Defendants in medical malpractice actions under NRS Chapters 41, 41A and 42.	
13	TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
14	To the extent Plaintiff has been reimbursed from any source for any special damages	
15	claimed to have been sustained as a result of the incidents alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint,	
16	Defendants may elect to offer those amounts into evidence and, if Defendants so elect, Plaintiff's	
17	special damages shall be reduced by those amounts pursuant to NRS 42.021.	
18	TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
19	To the extent Plaintiffs are entitled to recover any future damages from Defendant,	
20	Defendant may satisfy that amount through periodic payments pursuant to NRS 42.021(3).	
21	TWENTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
22	The limitation on recovery of non-economic damages under NRS 41A.035 was enacted	
23	pursuant to a valid legislative action.	
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1	WHI	EREFORE, Defendant prays for relief as follows:
2	1.	That Plaintiffs' take nothing by way of the Complaint on file herein.
3	2.	For reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in defending this litigation.
4	3.	For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper in the
5	premises.	
6	DATED this	s 12 th day of July, 2016.
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1	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE					
2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 12 th day of July, 2016, I served a true and correct copy					
3	of the foregoing DEFENDANT, JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D.'S ANSWER TO					
4	PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT addressed to the following counsel of record at the following					
5	address(es):					
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7	VIA ELECTRONIC SERVICE: by mandatory electronic service (e-service), proof of e-					
8	service attached to any copy filed with the Court; or					
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COMES NOW Defendant, MURAD JUSSA, M.D. ("the Answering Defendant")
by and through his attorneys, DAEHNKE STEVENS, LLP and in answer to Plaintiffs'
Complaint on file herein, admits, denies and alleges as follows:

Answering Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the

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the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraphs, and on that basis denies each and
 every allegation contained therein.

Answering Paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
 Defendant admits that Murad Jussa, M.D. is duly licensed in Nevada to practice medicine.
 As to all remaining allegations contained therein, this Answering Defendant is without
 sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations
 contained in said paragraph, and on that basis denies each and every allegation contained
 therein.

3. Answering Paragraphs 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file
herein, the Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a
belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraphs, and on that basis
denies each and every allegation contained therein.

4. Answering Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
Defendant admits that the Affidavits of David A. Neer, M.D. and Michael Steven Ritter,
M.D. are attached to the Complaint. As to all remaining allegations contained therein, this
Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to
the truth of the allegations contained in said paragraph, and on that basis denies each and
every allegation contained therein.

I.
PLAINTIFF DARIA HARPER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF
THEM AS FOLLOWS:

5. Answering Paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
Defendant repeats and realleges each and every response to the allegations in the
Complaint and reincorporates those responses by reference, as if the same were fully set
forth in detail herein.
6. Answering Paragraph 15 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of

the allegations contained in said paragraphs, and on that basis denies each and every
 allegation contained therein.

7. Answering Paragraphs 16 and 17 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the
4 Answering Defendant denies the allegations contained therein.

8. Answering Paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of
the allegations contained in said paragraphs, and on that basis denies each and every
allegation contained therein.

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9. Answering Paragraphs 19, 20, 21 and 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the
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10 Answering Defendant denies the allegations contained therein.

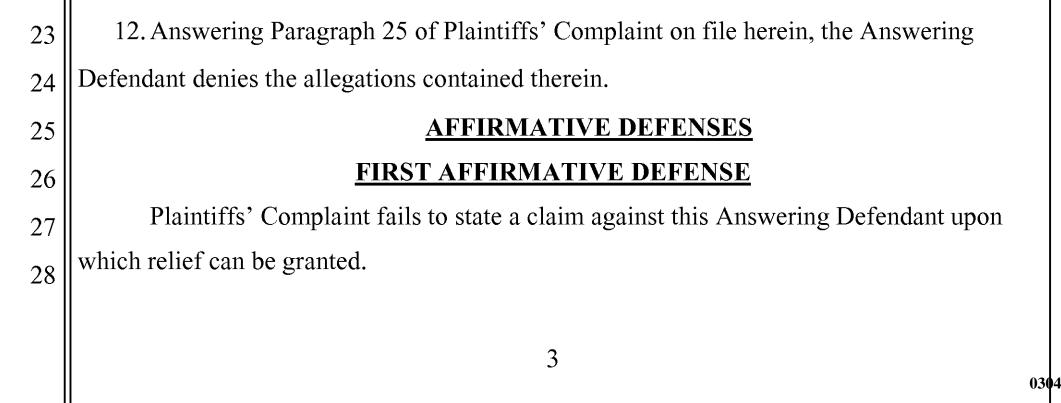
II.

PLAINTIFF DANIEL WININGER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACITON FOR LOSS OF CONSORTIUM AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:

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15 10. Answering Paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
16 Defendant repeats and realleges each and every response to the allegations in the
17 Complaint and reincorporates those responses by reference, as if the same were fully set
18 forth in detail herein.

19 11. Answering Paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein, the Answering
20 Defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of
21 the allegations contained in said paragraphs, and on that basis denies each and every
22 allegation contained therein.



SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Answering Defendant alleges that in all medical care rendered to Plaintiff, Daria Harper, this Answering Defendant possessed and exercised that degree of skill and learning ordinarily possessed and exercised by members of the medical profession in good standing practicing in similar localities and that at all times the Answering Defendant used reasonable care and diligence in the exercise of this skill and application of this learning, and at all times acted in accordance with his best medical judgment.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Answering Defendant alleges that any injuries or damages allegedly sustained
or suffered by Plaintiff, Daria Harper, at the times and places referred to in the Complaint,
were caused, in whole or in part, or were contributed to, by the negligence or fault or want
of care of Plaintiff, and that the negligence, fault or want of care on the part of Plaintiff
was greater than that, if any, of the Answering Defendant, the existence of which is
specifically denied.

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FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Answering Defendant alleges that he made, consistent with good medical
practice, a full and complete disclosure to Plaintiff, Daria Harper, of all material facts
known to him or reasonably believed by him to be true concerning Plaintiff's physical
condition and the appropriate alternative procedures available for treatment of such
condition. Further, each and every service rendered to Plaintiff by the Answering
Defendant was expressly and impliedly consented to and authorized by Plaintiff, on the
basis of said full and complete disclosure.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Complaint is barred by the applicable statute of limitations.

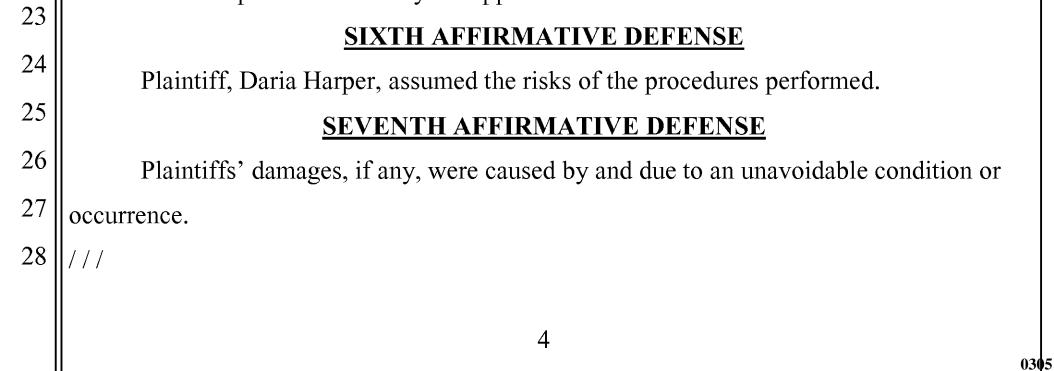
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1	EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
2	Plaintiffs have failed to mitigate their damages, if any, in spite of a duty to do so.
3	NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
4	The injuries and damages, if any, alleged by Plaintiffs were caused by the actions or
5	inactions of third parties over whom the Answering Defendant has no liability,
6	responsibility or control.
7	TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
8	The injuries and damages, if any, complained of by Plaintiffs were unforeseeable.
9	ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	The injuries and damages, if any, complained of by Plaintiffs were caused by forces
10	of nature over which the Answering Defendant had no responsibility, liability or control.
11	TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
12	Plaintiffs' Complaint violates the Statute of Frauds.
13	THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
14	Pursuant to Nevada law, Defendants named in the Complaint cannot be jointly
15	liable and that if liability is imposed, such liability would be several for that portion of
16	Plaintiffs' damages, if any, which represents the percentage attributed to the Answering
17	Defendant.
18	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
19	The injuries and damages, if any, suffered by Plaintiffs were caused by new,
20	independent, intervening and superseding causes and not by the Answering Defendant's
21	alleged negligence or other actionable conduct, the existence of which is specifically
22	denied.
	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

23	23 Plaintiffs' damages, if any, are subject to the limitations and protections as set forth				
²⁴ in Chapter 41A of the Nevada Revised Statutes including, without limitation, several					
25	liability and limits on noneconomic damages.				
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1	SIXTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
2	It has been necessary to employ the services of an attorney to defend this action and		
3	a reasonable sum should be allowed this Answering Defendant for attorney's fees, together		
4	with his costs expended in this action.		
5	SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
6	The injuries and damages, if any, suffered by Plaintiffs can and do occur in the		
7	absence of negligence.		
8	EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
	Should liability be found against the Answering Defendant—which is expressly		
9	denied—and damages assessed, the proportionate degree of negligence, fault, and/or legal		
10	responsibility of each and every person or entity (whether such other person or entity were		
11	served or not served in this matter, and/or other persons or entities not presently parties to		
12	this action) must be determined and prorated, and any judgment which may be rendered		
13	against the Answering Defendant must be reduced by the degree of negligence, fault		
14	and/or other legal responsibility found to exist as to the other parties, persons or entities.		
15	NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
16	No contractual guarantees or warranties were in existence and there is no privity of		
17	contract between Plaintiffs and the Answering Defendant.		
18	TWENTETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
19	The Answering Defendant is entitled to assert all available defenses to contract, the		
20	existence of which is specifically denied.		
21	TWENTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
21	This Answering Defendant asserts all defenses available to him in law and equity,		
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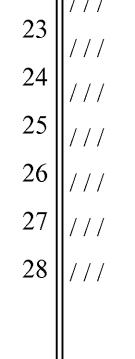
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	including without limitation, and all available defenses pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil		
23	Procedure 12.		
24	TWENTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE		
25	Plaintiffs' non-economic damages, if any, may not exceed \$350,000 pursuant to		
26	NRS 41A.035; the Answering Defendant is otherwise entitled to all protections, benefits,		
27	and set offs available to Answering Defendant in medical malpractice actions under		
28	Nevada Revised Statute Chapters 41A and 42.		
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1	TWENTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
2	To the extent Plaintiffs have been reimbursed from any source for any special			
3	damages claimed to have been sustained as a result of the incidents alleged in Plaintiffs'			
4	Complaint, the Answering Defendant may elect to offer those amounts into evidence and,			
5	if the Answering Defendant so elects, Plaintiffs' special damages shall be reduced by those			
6	amounts pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 42.021.			
7	TWENTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
8	To the extent Plaintiffs are entitled to recover any future damages from the			
	Answering Defendant, the Answering Defendant may satisfy that amount through			
9	payments pursuant to Nevada Revised Statute 42.021.			
10	TWENTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
11	¹ At all times mentioned herein, the Answering Defendant acted reasonably, in good			
12	faith, and within the applicable standard of care with regard to the acts and transactions			
13	which are the subject of the Complaint.			
14	TWENTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
15	The complained of acts of this Answering Defendant were justified under the			
16	circumstances.			
17	TWENTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
18	The injuries suffered by Plaintiff, Daria Harper, if any, as set forth in the Complaint,			
19	were caused by a pre-existing condition.			
20	TWENTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
21	The Answering Defendant is entitled to a conclusive presumption of informed			
22	consent pursuant to NRS 41A.110.			
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Ш I WENI Y-NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 23 The expert affidavits attached to Plaintiffs' Complaint do not comply with NRS 24 41A.071 in that they fail to demonstrate that the Answering Defendant breached the 25 standard of care in Plaintiffs' case, and fail to demonstrate an alleged causal link between 26 the Answering Defendant's treatment of Plaintiff, Daria Harper, and Plaintiffs' alleged 27 injuries and damages. 28 /// 7 0308

1	THIRTEETH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
2	The expert affidavits attached to Plaintiffs' Complaint do not comply with NRS			
3	41A.071 in that they fail to support the allegations contained in the Complaint.			
4	THIRTY-FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
5	Plaintiffs' Complaint fails to comply with NRS 41A.100 as Plaintiffs have failed to			
6	provide expert medical testimony to demonstrate the alleged deviation from the accepted			
7	standard of care in the specific circumstances of this case and to prove causation of the			
8	alleged personal injury.			
-	THIRTY-SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
9	The Answering Defendant has fully performed his duties owed to Plaintiffs and			
10	Plaintiffs are, therefore, estopped to assert any claim against him.			
11	THIRTY-THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
12	Plaintiffs are barred from recovering any special damages herein as a result of the			
13	failure to comply with the provisions of NRCP 9(g).			
14	THIRTY-FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
15	Plaintiffs approved and ratified the alleged acts of the Answering Defendant for			
16	which Plaintiffs now complain.			
17	THIRTY-FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
18	Plaintiffs have not suffered any compensable injury as a result of the Answering			
19	Defendant's alleged actions and, as a result, are not entitled to an award against them.			
20	THIRTY-SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
21	Plaintiffs failed to allege facts in support of any award of pre-judgment or post-			
22	judgment interest.			
	THIRTY-SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
23	Plaintiffs' causes of action are duplicative and are, therefore, an improper attempt to			
24	seek relief to which Plaintiffs are not entitled as such would constitute a double recovery.			
25	THIRTY-EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE			
26	Pursuant to Nevada Rule of Civil Procedure 11, all possible affirmative defenses			
27	may not have been alleged as sufficient facts were not available, after reasonable inquiry,			
28	upon the filing of the Answering Defendant's Answer and therefore the Answering			
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Defendant reserves the right to amend his Answer to allege additional affirmative defenses
 if subsequent investigation warrants. Additionally, one or more of these affirmative
 defenses may have been pled for the purposes of non-waiver.



1	I. WHEREFORE, the Answering Defendant prays as follows:		
2		1.	That Plaintiff, Daria Harper, take nothing by reason of her Complaint;
3		2.	For all attorney's fees incurred in the defense of Plaintiffs' Complaint
4			against the Answering Defendant;
5		3.	For costs and disbursements incurred herein; and
6		4.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and
7			proper in these premises.
8	II.	WH]	EREFORE, the Answering Defendant prays as follows:
9		1.	That Plaintiff, Daniel Wininger, take nothing by reason of his
			Complaint;
10		2.	For all attorney's fees incurred in the defense of Plaintiffs' Complaint
11			against the Answering Defendant;
12		3.	For costs and disbursements incurred herein; and
13		4.	For such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and
14			proper in these premises.
15	DATED: t	his 13 th	^h day of July, 2016.
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19			By /s/ Patricia Egan Daehnke
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2	I hereby certify that on July 13, 2016, a true and correct copy of					
3	DEFENDANT MURAD JUSSA, M.D.	'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT				
4	was served by electronically filing with	the Clerk of the Court using the Wiznet Electronic				
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6	receive Electronic Service in this action	•				
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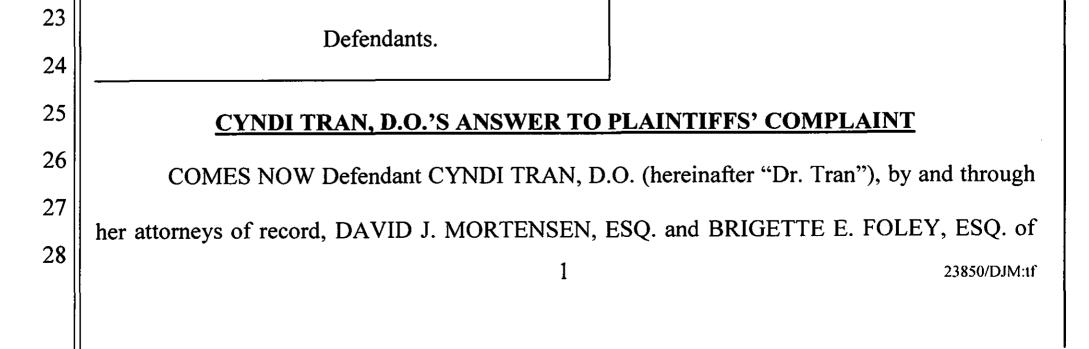
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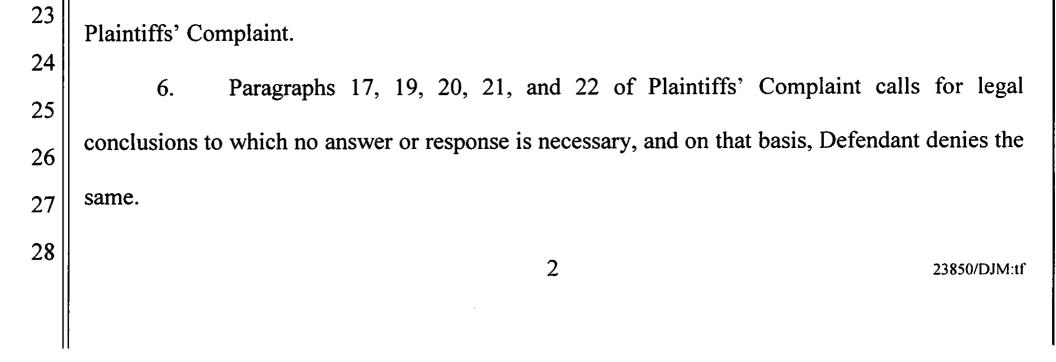
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19	business as VALLEY HEALTH MEDICAL CENTER; JEFFREY
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2 Plaintiffs' Complaint, as follows: 3 **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS** 4 Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the 1. 5 truth of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Plaintiffs' 6 Complaint, and therefore denies the same. 7 In answering paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Answering Defendant admits 2. 8 she was at all times a physician holding herself out as duly licensed to practice her profession 9 10 under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada, and was engaged in the practice of that 11 profession in the State of Nevada. The remainder of the allegations contained in this paragraph 12 refer to other Defendants, which Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to 13 the truth of such allegations, and therefore denies the same. 14 Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no 3. 15 answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same. 16 17 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Medical Malpractice) 18 Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations 4. 19 contained within paragraphs 1 through 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully 20 21 set forth herein. 22 5. Answering Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 15 and 16 of

the law firm of ALVERSON, TAYLOR, MORTENSEN & SANDERS, and hereby answers 1



7. Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies the same.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (Loss of Consortium)

8. Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations contained within paragraphs 1 through 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully set forth herein.

9. Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the
truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies
the same.

10. Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Answering Defendant denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to any of the requested relief as contained within their Complaint.

GENERAL DENIAL

Answering Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Plaintiffs' Complaint that is not specifically admitted to be true.

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

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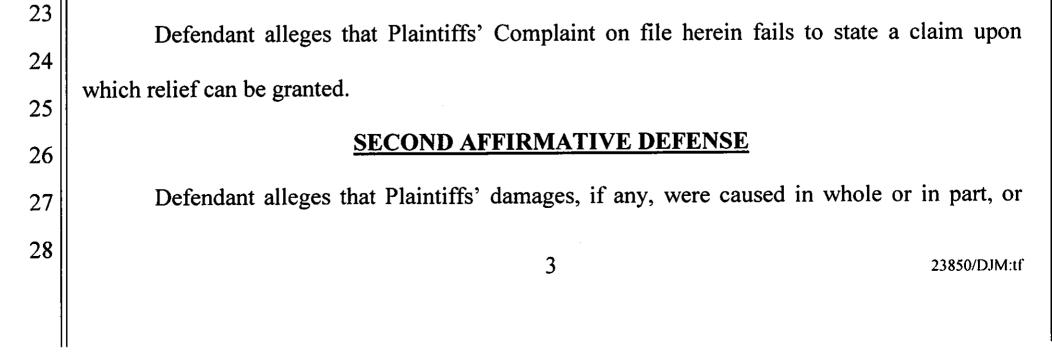
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were contributed to by reason of the negligence or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in the Complaint were open, obvious, and known to Plaintiffs and said Plaintiffs voluntarily assumed said risks and dangers.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The incident alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint and the resulting damages, if any, to Plaintiffs were proximately caused or contributed to by Plaintiffs' own negligence, and such negligence was greater than the alleged negligence of Defendant.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

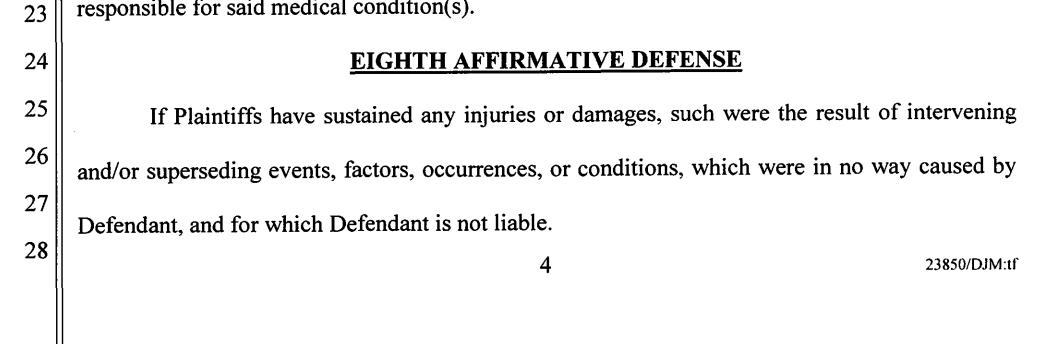
Defendant alleges that the occurrence referred to in the Complaint, and all injuries and damages, if any, resulting there from were caused by the acts or omissions of a third party over whom Defendant had no control.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

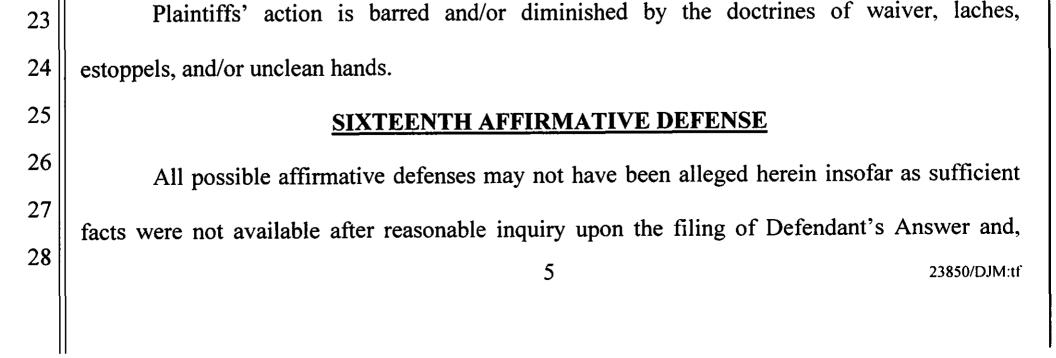
Defendant has fully performed and discharged all obligations owed to Plaintiffs, including meeting the requisite standard of care to which Plaintiffs were entitled.

SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiffs were suffering from a medical condition(s) that Defendant did not cause, nor was Defendant responsible for said medical condition(s).



	1	NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	2	Plaintiffs are barred from recovering any special damages herein as a result of the failure
	3	to comply with the provisions of NRCP 9(g).
	4	TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	5	Defendant alleges that, pursuant to Nevada law, Defendants would not be jointly liable,
	6 7	and that if liability is imposed, such liability would be several for that portion of Plaintiffs'
	8	damages, if any, that represents the percentage attributable to Defendants.
	9	ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
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	11	Plaintiffs' claims are governed and/or barred pursuant to NRS Chapters 1, 40, 41, and
	12	41A, and by the provisions of Question 3 passed by the People of the State of Nevada on
	12	November 2, 2004.
	14	TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
-7000	15	Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is void ab initio as it does not include an affidavit which
(702) 384-7000	16	meets with requirements of N.R.S. 41A.
	17	THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
	18	Plaintiffs had a duty to mitigate their damages and failed to do so.
	19	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE <u>DEFENSE</u>
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	21	Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statutes of limitations and/or repose.
	22	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE



therefore, Defendant reserves the right to amend the Answer, and to allege additional Affirmative Defenses if subsequent investigation so warrants.

SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant did not violate any statute, ordinance, or regulation referenced in Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint.

EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

It been necessary for this Defendant to employ the services of an attorney to defend this action and a reasonable sum should be allowed to Defendant for attorney's fees, together with costs of suit incurred herein.

NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the event further investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, Defendant reserves the right to seek leave of Court to amend the Answer to specifically assert the same. Such defenses are herein incorporated by reference for the specific purpose of not waiving the same.

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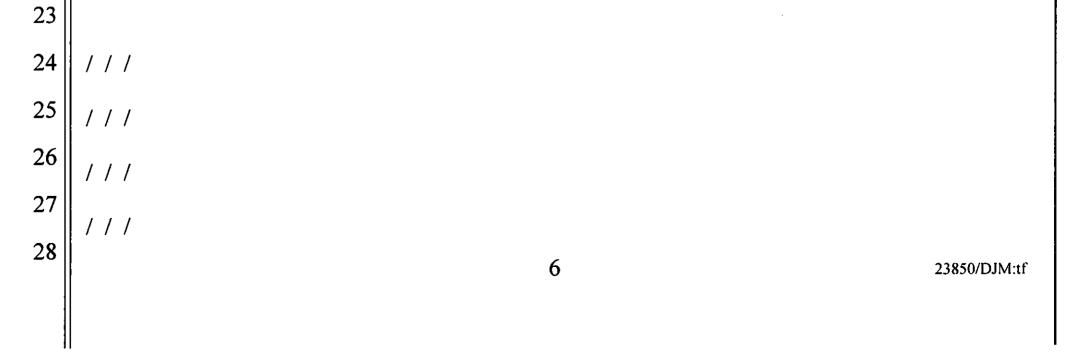
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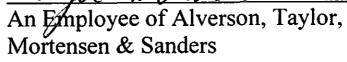
	1	WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for relief as follows:
	2	1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of their Complaint on file herein.
	3	2. For reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in defending this litigation.
	4	3. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.
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	6	DATED this $\underline{\mu}$ day of October, 2016.
	7	ALVERSON, TAYLOR,
	8	MORTENSEN & SANDERS/
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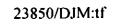
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	1	CERTIFICATE	OF SERVICE	
	2	The undersigned hereby certifies that or	the $\underline{19^{\mu}}$ day of October, 2016, the foregoing	
	3	CYNDI TRAN, D.O.'S ANSWER TO PLA	INTIFFS' COMPLAINT was served on the	
	4	following by Electronic Service to All parties on the Wiznet Service List, addressed as follows:		
	5	Thomas S. Alch, Esq.	Patricia Daehnke, Esq.	
	6	LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS S. ALCH	DAEHNKE STEVENS LLP	
	7	500 N. Rainbow Blvd, Suite 300 Las Vegas, Nevada 89107	2300 W. Sahara Ave Suite 680 Box 32	
	8	Phone: (702) 740-4140 Attorney for Plaintiffs	Las Vegas, NV 89102 Phone: (702) 979-2132	
	9	Kenneth M. Webster, Esq.	Attorney for Jussa Murad, M.D.	
	10	Tyson J. Dobbs, Esq.		
	11	Kirill V. Mikhaylov, Esq. HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC		
	12	1160 North Town Center Drive, Suite 200 Las Vegas, NV 89144		
	13	Phone: (702) 889-6400 Attorneys for Defendant Valley Health System,		
I	14	LLC and Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc.		
	15	Robert C. McBride, Esq.		
	16 17	Chelsea R. Hueth, Esq. CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN,		
	18	McKENNA & PEABODY 8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260		
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	1	AFFIRMATION Pursuant to N.R.S. 239B.030
	3	The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding CYNDI TRAN, D.O.'S
	4	ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT filed in District Court Case No. A-16-738004-C
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	6	\underline{X} Does not contain the social security number of any person.
	7	-OR-
	8	Contains the social security number of a person as required by:
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	10	A. A specific state or federal law, to wit:
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	13	B. For the administration of a public program or for an application for
	14	a federal or state grant.
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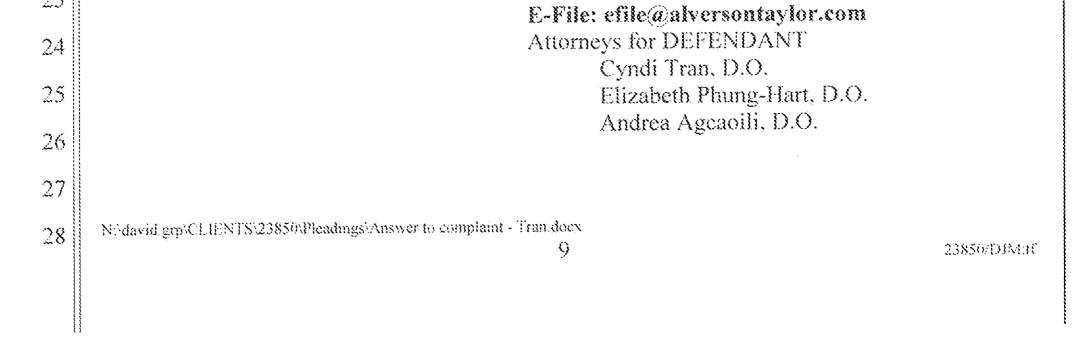


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9	Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc.	
10	and Valley Health System, LLC, doing business a Valley Hospital Medical Center	18
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13	DARIA HARPER, DANIEL WININGER,	CASE NO. A-16-738004-C
14	Plaintiffs,	DEPT NO. XVII
15	VS.	
16	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER,	DEFENDANTS VALLEY HOSPITAL
17	INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL	MEDICAL CENTER, INC. AND
18	MEDICAL CENTER; VALLEY HEALTH	VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC,
	SYSTEM, LLC, doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER: JEFFREY	DOING BUSINESS AS VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER'S
19	DAVIDSON, M.D.; CYNDI TRAN, D.O.;	ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS'
20	PAUL JANDA, D.O.; ELIZABETH PHUNG-	COMPLAINT FOR MEDICAL
21	HART, D.O.; ANDREA AGCAOILI, D.O.; MURAD JUSSA, M.D., and, DOES 1 through	MALPRACTICE
22	250, inclusive,	
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24	COMES NOW, Defendants, VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doin	2
25	business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, and VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM	1,
26	LLC, doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER (collective	У
27	"Defendants"), by and through their attorneys of record, the law firm of Hall Prangle a	&
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Schoonveld, LLC, and hereby provides its Answer to Plaintiffs' Complaint for Medical
 Malpractice as follows:

MEDICAL MALPRACTIVE

LOSS OF CONSORTIUM

In answering paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 and 12 of Plaintiffs' Complaint,
 these answering Defendants are without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of
 the allegations contained therein and therefore deny the same.

2. In answering paragraph 7 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants admit that Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing in Nevada, with its principal place of business situated in the State of Nevada. Defendants admit that Valley Health System, LLC, doing business as Valley Hospital Medical Center is a Delaware corporation authorized to do business in the State of Nevada, with its principal place of business situated in the State of Nevada. In answering the remaining allegations of said paragraph, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein.

In answering paragraph 8 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants
 admit that Valley Health System, LLC owned and operated Valley Hospital Medical Center.
 These answering defendants deny that Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc. owned and operated
 Valley Hospital Medical Center. As to the remaining allegations contained therein, these
 answering Defendants are without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the
 remaining allegations and therefore deny the same.

4. In answering paragraph 11 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants
 admit that Valley Health System, LLC dba Valley Hospital Medical Center was at all times
 mentioned in the Complaint accredited by the Joint Commission. As to the remaining

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24	allegations contained therein, these answering Defendants are without sufficient information to	
25	form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations and therefore deny the same.	
26	5. In answering paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants	
.27	admit that declarations are attached to the Complaint. In answering the remaining allegations of	
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said paragraph, these answering Defendants are without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the remaining allegations and therefore deny the same.

PLAINTIFF DARIA HARPER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:

6. In answering paragraph 14 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants hereby incorporate its answers to paragraphs 1 through 13 as though fully set forth herein.

7. In answering paragraphs 15 and 16 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants are without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained therein and therefore deny the same.

8. In answering paragraphs 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants deny each and every allegation contained therein.

PLAINTIFF DANIEL WININGER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR LOSS OF CONSORTIUM AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF THEM AS FOLLOWS:

9. In answering paragraph 23 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants hereby incorporate its answers to paragraphs 1 through 22 as though fully set forth herein.

In answering paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants
 are without sufficient information to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained
 therein and therefore deny the same.

11. In answering paragraphs 25 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, these answering Defendants

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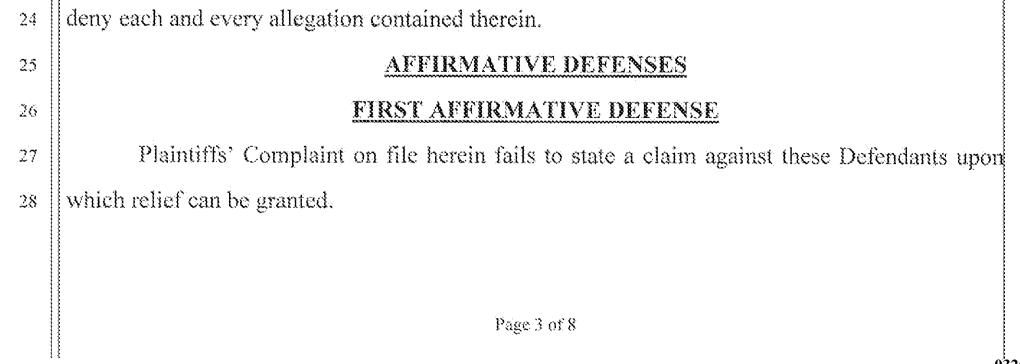
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SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries, if any, complained of by Plaintiffs in the Complaint were proximately caused by the acts or omissions of unknown third parties or other persons over whom these Defendants exercised no control and over who these Defendants have no right or duty to control, nor ever has had a right or duty to exercise control.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs did not exercise ordinary care, caution or prudence in the conduct of their affairs relating to the allegations of the Complaint herein for damages in order to avoid the injuries or damages of which Plaintiffs complained and said injuries or damages, if any, were directly and proximately contributed to or caused by the fault, carelessness and negligence of the Plaintiffs.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The risks and consequences, if any, attendant to the recommendations and treatment proposed by these Defendants were fully explained to the Plaintiffs who freely consented to such treatment and thereby assumed risks involved in such matter.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The damages, if any, alleged by Plaintiffs were not the result of any acts of omission, or commission, or negligence, but were the results of known risks which were consented to by the Plaintiffs, such risks being inherent in the nature of the care rendered and such risks were assumed by the Plaintiffs when they consented to treatment.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

In all medical attention rendered by these Defendants to Plaintiffs, these Defendants possessed and exercised that degree of skill and learning ordinarily possessed and exercised by

.24	the members of its profession in good standing, practicing in similar localities, and that at al	I
25	times these Defendants used reasonable care and diligence in the exercise of its skills and the	, K
26	application of its learning, and at all times acted according to their best judgment; that the	7
27	medical treatment administered by these Defendants were the usual and customary treatment for	1
28	the physical condition and symptoms exhibited by Plaintiffs, and that at no time were these	×
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Defendants guilty of negligence or improper treatment; that, on the contrary, these Defendants did perform each and every act of such treatment in a proper and efficient manner and in a manner most thoroughly approved and followed by the medical profession generally and under the circumstances and conditions as they existed when such medical attention was rendered.

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SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The injuries complained of in the Complaint, if any, were not the result of willful, malicious or deliberate conduct on the part of these answering Defendants.

EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

That it has been necessary for the Defendants to employ the services of an attorney to defend this action and a reasonable sum should be allowed Defendants for attorneys' fees, together with costs of suit incurred herein.

NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Each Defendant is liable for only that portion of the Plaintiffs' claims that represents the percentage of negligence, if any, attributed to it.

TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs have failed to plead any acts or omissions of these answering Defendants sufficient to constitute punitive damages.

ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

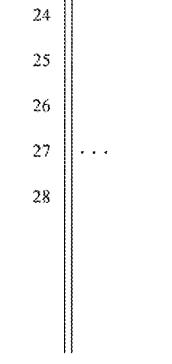
Plaintiffs failed to file their Complaint before the running of the applicable statute of
 limitation, thereby barring their claims for relief.

TWELFTH AFFIMRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Complaint, and each claim asserted therein and the relief sought, is barred by the statute of frauds.

THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
Pursuant to N.R.C.P. 11, as amended, all possible Affirmative Defenses may not have	
been alleged herein insofar as sufficient facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upon	
the filing of Defendants' Answer, and therefore, Defendants reserve the right to amend its	
Answer to allege additional Affirmative Defenses if subsequent investigation warrants.	
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	Pursuant to N.R.C.P. 11, as amended, all possible Affirmative Defenses may not have been alleged herein insofar as sufficient facts were not available after reasonable inquiry upor the filing of Defendants' Answer, and therefore, Defendants reserve the right to amend it Answer to allege additional Affirmative Defenses if subsequent investigation warrants.

1	FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
2	Defendants hereby incorporate by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in	
3	Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the event further	
4	investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, Defendants reserve the	
5	right to seek leave of Court to amend its Answer to specifically assert the same. Such defenses	
6	are herein incorporated by reference for the specific purpose of not waiving the same.	
7	FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE	
8	Defendants assert that the Complaint should be dismissed on the basis that Plaintiffs have	
9	not complied with NRS 41A.071.	
10	WHEREFORE, Defendants pray for judgment as follows:	
11	1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by virtue of their Complaint;	
12	2. For reasonable attorney's fees and costs of suit incurred herein; and	
13	3. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.	
14	DATED thisday of October, 2016.	
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2	I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am an emp	loyee of HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD,
3	LLC; that on the 1 day of October, 2016, I	served a true and correct copy of the foregoing
4		EDICAL CENTER, INC. AND VALLEY
5	HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, DOING BUSH	NESS AS VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL
6	CENTER'S ANSWER TO PLAINTI	FFS' COMPLAINT FOR MEDICAL
7	MALPRACTICE via the E-Service Master Li	st for the above referenced matter in the Eighth
8	Judicial District Court e-filing System in accord	ance with the electronic service requirements of
9	Administrative Order 14-2 and the Nevada I	Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules to the
10	following:	
11	Thomas S. Alch, Esg.	Patricia Egon Dashaka, Ego
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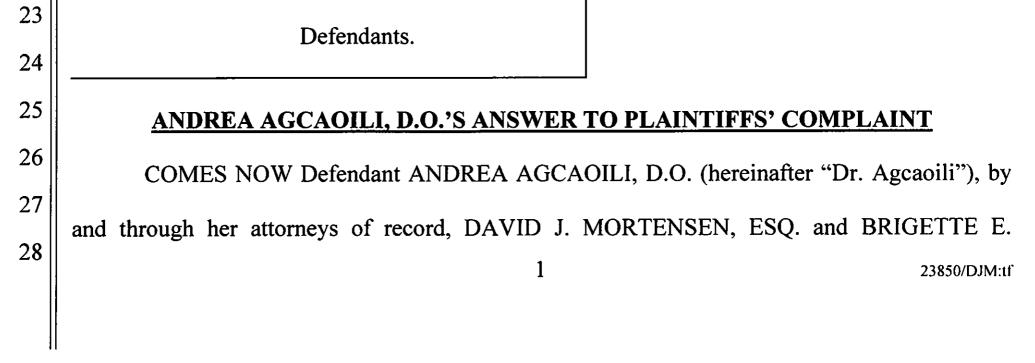
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FOLEY, ESQ. of the law firm of ALVERSON, TAYLOR, MORTENSEN & SANDERS, and 2 hereby answers Plaintiffs' Complaint, as follows: 3 **GENERAL ALLEGATIONS** 4 Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the 1. 5 truth of the allegations contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Plaintiffs' 6 Complaint, and therefore denies the same. 7 In answering paragraph 5 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, Answering Defendant admits 2. 8 she was at all times a physician holding herself out as duly licensed to practice her profession 9 10 under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada, and was engaged in the practice of that 11 profession in the State of Nevada. The remainder of the allegations contained in this paragraph 12 refer to other Defendants, which Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to 13 the truth of such allegations, and therefore denies the same. 14 Paragraph 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no 3. 15 answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same. 16 17 FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION (Medical Malpractice) 18 Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations 4. 19 contained within paragraphs 1 through 13 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully 20 21 set forth herein. 22 5. Answering Defendants deny the allegations contained in paragraphs 15 and 16 of

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23 Plaintiffs' Complaint. 24 Paragraphs 17, 19, 20, 21, and 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for legal 6. 25 conclusions to which no answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the 26 same. 27 28 2 23850/DJM:tf 7. Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 18 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies the same.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION (Loss of Consortium)

8. Answering Defendants repeat and reallege their answers to the allegations contained within paragraphs 1 through 22 of Plaintiffs' Complaint as if the same were more fully set forth herein.

9. Answering Defendant is without sufficient knowledge to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 24 of Plaintiffs' Complaint, and therefore denies the same.

10. Paragraph 25 of Plaintiffs' Complaint calls for a legal conclusion to which no answer or response is necessary, and on that basis, Defendant denies the same.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Answering Defendant denies that Plaintiffs are entitled to any of the requested relief as contained within their Complaint.

GENERAL DENIAL

Answering Defendant denies each and every allegation contained in Plaintiffs' Complaint that is not specifically admitted to be true.

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

23	Defendant alleges that Plaintiffs' Complaint on file herein fails to state a claim upon
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25	which relief can be granted.
26	SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE
27	Defendant alleges that Plaintiffs' damages, if any, were caused in whole or in part, or
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|| were contributed to by reason of the negligence or wrongful conduct of Plaintiffs.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

All risks and dangers involved in the factual situation described in the Complaint were open, obvious, and known to Plaintiffs and said Plaintiffs voluntarily assumed said risks and dangers.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The incident alleged in Plaintiffs' Complaint and the resulting damages, if any, to Plaintiffs were proximately caused or contributed to by Plaintiffs' own negligence, and such negligence was greater than the alleged negligence of Defendant.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

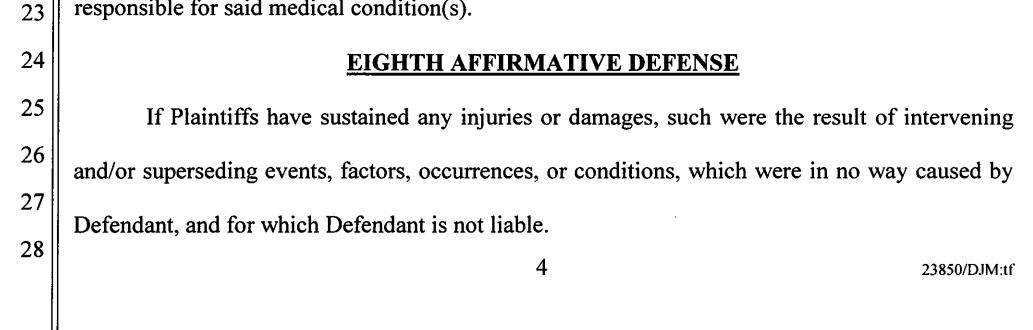
Defendant alleges that the occurrence referred to in the Complaint, and all injuries and damages, if any, resulting there from were caused by the acts or omissions of a third party over whom Defendant had no control.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant has fully performed and discharged all obligations owed to Plaintiffs, including meeting the requisite standard of care to which Plaintiffs were entitled.

SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that at all times mentioned in Plaintiffs' Complaint, Plaintiffs were suffering from a medical condition(s) that Defendant did not cause, nor was Defendant responsible for said medical condition(s).



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NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs are barred from recovering any special damages herein as a result of the failure to comply with the provisions of NRCP 9(g).

TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant alleges that, pursuant to Nevada law, Defendants would not be jointly liable, and that if liability is imposed, such liability would be several for that portion of Plaintiffs' damages, if any, that represents the percentage attributable to Defendants.

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ELEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are governed and/or barred pursuant to NRS Chapters 1, 40, 41, and 41A, and by the provisions of Question 3 passed by the People of the State of Nevada on November 2, 2004.

TWELFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' Amended Complaint is void ab initio as it does not include an affidavit which meets with requirements of N.R.S. 41A.

THIRTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

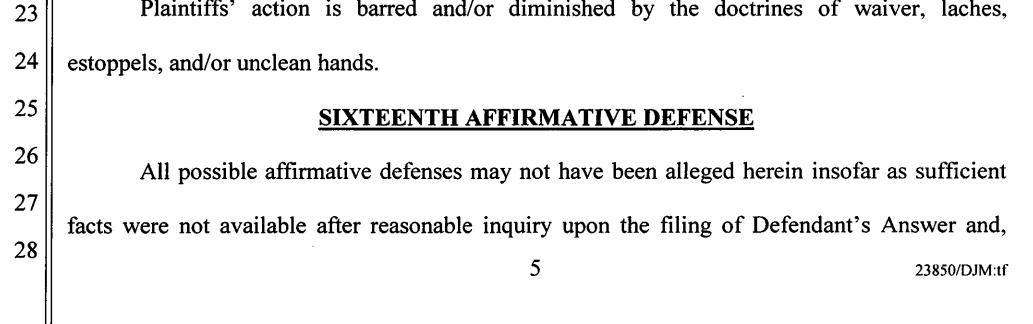
Plaintiffs had a duty to mitigate their damages and failed to do so.

FOURTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' claims are barred by the applicable statutes of limitations and/or repose.

FIFTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiffs' action is barred and/or diminished by the doctrines of waiver, laches,



therefore, Defendant reserves the right to amend the Answer, and to allege additional 1 2 Affirmative Defenses if subsequent investigation so warrants. SEVENTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE 4 Defendant did not violate any statute, ordinance, or regulation referenced in Plaintiffs' 5 Amended Complaint. 6 **EIGHTEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE** 7 8 9 10 costs of suit incurred herein. 11 **NINETEENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE** 12 Defendant hereby incorporates by reference those affirmative defenses enumerated in Rule 8 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure as if fully set forth herein. In the event further investigation or discovery reveals the applicability of any such defenses, Defendant reserves the right to seek leave of Court to amend the Answer to specifically assert the same. Such defenses are herein incorporated by reference for the specific purpose of not waiving the same. 18 19 20 21

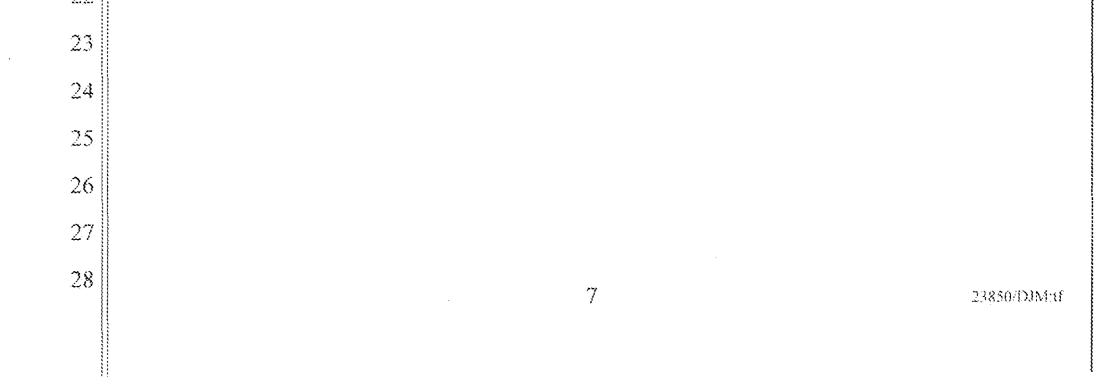
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It been necessary for this Defendant to employ the services of an attorney to defend this action and a reasonable sum should be allowed to Defendant for attorney's fees, together with

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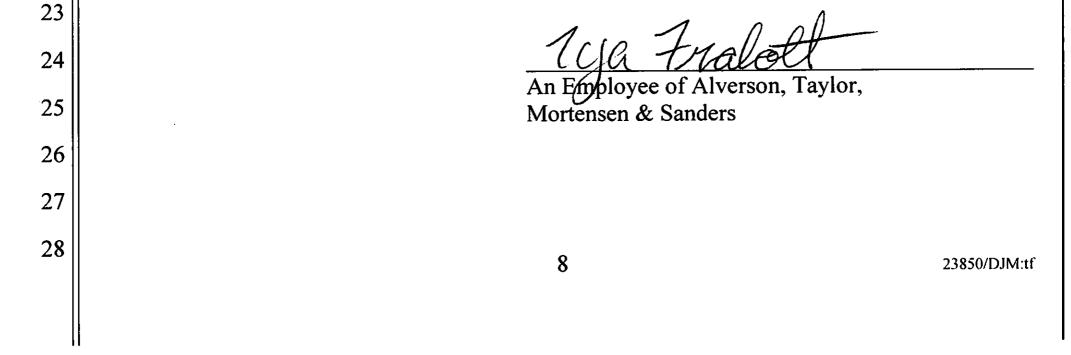
	1	WHEREFORE, Defendant prays for relief as follows:
	2	1. That Plaintiffs take nothing by way of their Complaint on file herein.
	3	2. For reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in defending this litigation.
	4	3. For such other and further relief as this Court deems just and proper.
	5 6	DATED this day of October, 2016.
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	17	Elizabeth Phung-Hart, D.O. Andrea Agcaoili, D.O.
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	1	<u>CERTIFICATI</u>	E OF SERVICE						
	2	² The undersigned hereby certifies that on the $\sqrt{q^{+h}}$ day of October, 2016, the							
	3	 ANDREA AGCAOILI, D.O.'S ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT was served the following by Electronic Service to All parties on the Wiznet Service List, addressed 							
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	6	follows:							
	7	Thomas S. Alch, Esq. LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS S. ALCH	Patricia Daehnke, Esq. DAEHNKE STEVENS LLP						
	8	500 N. Rainbow Blvd, Suite 300 Las Vegas, Nevada 89107	2300 W. Sahara Ave Suite 680 Box 32						
	9	Phone: (702) 740-4140 Attorney for Plaintiffs	Las Vegas, NV 89102 Phone: (702) 979-2132						
	10		Attorney for Jussa Murad, M.D.						
	11	Kenneth M. Webster, Esq. Tyson J. Dobbs, Esq.							
	12	Kirill V. Mikhaylov, Esq. HALL PRANGLE & SCHOONVELD, LLC							
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•	14	Phone: (702) 889-6400							
(702) 384-7000	15	Attorneys for Defendant Valley Health System, LLC and Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc.							
(702)	16	Robert C. McBride, Esq.							
	17	Chelsea R. Hueth, Esq. CARROLL, KELLY, TROTTER, FRANZEN,							
	18	McKENNA & PEABODY							
	19	8329 W. Sunset Road, Suite 260 Las Vegas, NV 89113							
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1	AFFIRMATION Pursuant to N.R.S. 239B.030			
3	The undersigned does hereby affirm that the preceding ANDREA AGCAOILI, D.O.'S			
4	ANSWER TO PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT filed in District Court Case No. A-16-738004-C			
5	X Does not contain the social security number of any person.			
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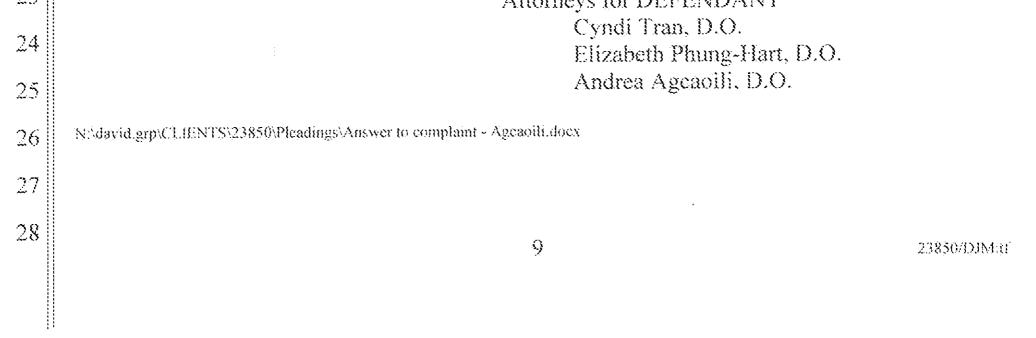


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MENG CLEMENT	9 10 11 12 13 14	DARIA HARPER, an individual; and DANIEL WININGER, an individual, Plaintiffs, vs. COPPERPOINT MUTUAL INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY, an Arizona corporation; COPPERPOINT GENERAL	Case No.: A-20-814541-C Dept. No.: XXX <u>COPPERPOINT MUTUAL INSURANCE</u> <u>HOLDING COMPANY and</u> <u>COPPERPOINT GENERAL INSURANCE</u> <u>COMPANY'S OPPOSITION TO</u> <u>PLAINTIFFS' APPLICATION FOR</u>
H	 15 16 17 18 19 20 	INSURANCE COMPANY, an Arizona corporation; LAW OFFICES OF MARSHALL SILBERBERG, P.C., a California Corporation; KENNETH MARSHALL SILBERBERG aka MARSHALL SILBERBERG aka K. MARSHALL SILBERBERG, an individual; THOMAS S. ALCH aka THOMAS STEVEN ALCH, an individual; SHOOP, A PROFESSIONAL LAW CORPORATION, a California Corporation; DOES 1-50, inclusive,	TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER AND MOTION FOR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION Hearing date: July 1, 2020 Hearing time: 9:00 a.m.
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Plaintiffs when the Complaint was filed on June 7, 2016. *See* Exhibit E. The Complaint was
filed against Valley Hospital Medical Center, Inc., Valley Health System, LLC., Jeffrey
Davidson, M.D., Cyndi Tran, D.O., Paul Janda, D.O., Elizabeth Phung-Hart, D.O., Andrea
Agcaoili, D.O., Murad Jussa, M.D., and Does I through 250. *See* Exhibit E. The parties
ultimately settled, and Plaintiffs dismissed the lawsuit in July 2018. *See* Exhibit E. According to
her affidavit dated May 19, 2020, Plaintiff Harper received \$ 6,250,000.00 in settlement funds.

On June 22, 2018, prior to settlement of the medical malpractice action CopperPoint sent
Plaintiffs' then-attorney Defendant Marshall Silberberg a letter asking for an update on the
medical malpractice litigation. See Exhibit C. Defendant Silberberg denied that CopperPoint
was entitled to a lien. See Exhibit C.

CopperPoint attempted to negotiate a resolution to its lien issue with the Plaintiffs and their counsel. Unable to reach a resolution with the Plaintiffs, on October 30, 2019, CopperPoint mailed a Notice of Claim Status to the Plaintiff. *See* Exhibit A.

In the October 30, 2019, Notice of Claim Status, CopperPoint informed Plaintiff Harper
that it has a lien against her medical malpractice settlement in the amount of medical, surgical,
and hospital benefits paid by CopperPoint. *See* Exhibit A. Further, CopperPoint advised
Plaintiff Harper that CopperPoint was not required to pay further medical expenses until it has
recouped its lien. *See* Exhibit A.

Another Notice of Claim Status was sent by CopperPoint to Plaintiff Harper on May 1, 2020. *See* Exhibit B. In the Notice of Claim Status dated May 1, 2020, Plaintiff was advised benefits were terminated effective May 2, 2020 until CopperPoint's current lien of \$3,171,095.00 is fully exhausted. *See* Exhibit B. Matters related to the administration of and the payment of

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July 2, 2018

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Pam Fudge Recovery Specialist Legal Department CopperPoint Insurance Companies 3030 N. 3rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85012-3039 FAX – (602)631-2188

Re:	Daria Harper					
	Claim No.:	14G01532				
	DOI:	08/11/2014				
	Employer:	Islander RV Resort LLC				

Dear Ms. Fudge:

I received your letter dated June 22, 2018, regarding your request for an update and your claim to a lien in this matter. As of this time, Mrs. Harper's case has settled. You were not made aware of the settlement because CopperPoint is not entitled to a lien, as will be explained in more detail below.

As I understand it, CopperPoint claims it is entitled to a lien based upon A.R.S. § 23-1023(D). Mrs. Harper's case was never filed in Arizona, it was filed, litigated, and resolved in Nevada as that is where the injury occurred. Hence, Arizona law has no application or enforceability in Nevada. Therefore, the aforementioned code section does not permit a lien in another state, which is a position supported by the Nevada courts and case law.

As for Nevada law, that State does not permit Workers' Compensation to assert a lien in a medical malpractice case. NRS § 42.021 sets forth "In an action for injury or death against a provider of health care based upon professional negligence, if the defendant so elects, the defendant may introduce evidence of any amount payable as a benefit to the plaintiff as a result of the injury or death pursuant to the United States Social Security Act, any state or federal income disability or worker's compensation act, any health, sickness or income-disability insurance, accident insurance that provides health benefits or income-disability coverage, and any contract or agreement of any group, organization, partnership or corporation to provide, pay for or reimburse the cost of medical, hospital, dental or other health care services. If the defendant elects to introduce such evidence, the plaintiff may introduce evidence of any amount that the plaintiff has

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paid or contributed to secure the plaintiff's right to any insurance benefits concerning which the defendant has introduced evidence."

Section 42.021, goes on to state, specifically in subsection (2), that "a source of collateral benefits introduced pursuant to subsection (1) **may not...(a) Recover any amount against the plaintiff**." (I have attached a copy of this statute for your convenience). Quite clearly, this means that in the State of Nevada, any workers compensation insurance company may not recover any amount against a plaintiff. This also means that any such insurance company may not place a lien on any proceeds of a settlement.

Here, there is no dispute that Mrs. Harper suffered an injury in the State of Nevada as a result of medical malpractice. For this reason, Mrs. Harper's case was filed in Nevada, governed by Nevada law, thereby implicating the statute cited above, along with the protections that preclude CopperPoint having a lien on any proceeds. Nevada law is identical to California law, and Courts in both states do not permits liens, such as the one to which you claim to be entitled.

Moving forward, it is my expectation, and that of my client, that CopperPoint will continue to provide for Mrs. Harper's care. Should CopperPoint at any point in time intentionally, or otherwise, withhold any medical care to which Mrs. Harper is entitled, our office will take immediate legal action.

Please call to discuss the foregoing.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Marshall Silberberg

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COPPERPOINT INSURANCE COMPANIES ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF ALASKA NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

September 17, 2019

Transaction advances company's geographic expansion and product diversification strategy

PHOENIX – CopperPoint Insurance Companies, a western-based regional commercial insurance company, today announced an agreement to acquire Alaska National Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiary Alaska National Insurance Company (ANIC), an Alaska domiciled workers' compensation and commercial insurance carrier. As of mid-year, Alaska National Insurance Company has a statutory surplus of approximately \$550 million. In 2018, the company had gross written premium of \$250 million and the combined companies will represent approximately \$650 million in premium and an asset base of nearly \$4.8 billion.

"It's an exciting time in our nearly 95-year history as we look forward to welcoming Alaska National and their 250 employees into the CopperPoint Family of Insurance Companies," said Marc Schmittlein, President and CEO of CopperPoint Insurance Companies. "We have been on a journey of transformation as we continue our geographic and product diversification strategy with the vision of becoming the leading regional commercial insurance company for the western United States."

Alaska National brings a proven track record of strong underwriting discipline and exemplary service as evidenced by the company's inclusion in the Property-Casualty Ward's 50[®] Companies for each of the past nine years. Alaska National is licensed in 26 states, opening opportunities for CopperPoint to continue its diversification strategy. CopperPoint's headquarters will remain in Phoenix, Arizona, while Alaska National will continue operating under its company name and will remain domiciled and home-based in Anchorage, Alaska. The



distribution partners and their policyholder customers.

"For nearly 40 years, our company has focused on building personal relationships and developing customized solutions designed to achieve safer futures and better outcomes for our customers," said Craig Nodtvedt, CEO of Alaska National. "CopperPoint is an ideal strategic partner and strong cultural fit for us. Both of our companies are deeply committed to employee excellence and to delivering best in class service to all of our stakeholders. We especially like that Alaska National will become part of CopperPoint's mutual holding company structure where we can maintain our long-term view of the business allowing us to concentrate first on the needs of our customers."

"Alaska National helps us significantly expand our portfolio of insurance products and geography, enabling us to better meet the evolving needs of our brokers, agents and customers," Marc Schmittlein continued. "They are highly respected in the industry, recognized for their stellar service, exceptional financial performance, and talented employees. We are excited and confident about the future."

CopperPoint privatized from the state of Arizona and converted to a mutual insurance company in 2013. Subsequently, CopperPoint introduced additional commercial insurance products, including commercial package, auto and umbrella in Arizona. In 2017, the company acquired Pacific Compensation Insurance Company, a California domiciled company, expanding into the California market. In 2018, CopperPoint further expanded and began to offer products under the CopperPoint brand in Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah. Earlier in 2019, CopperPoint adopted a new mutual insurance holding company corporate structure to support the continued growth of the company.

The transaction is expected to close once customary regulatory reviews and approvals are received.

Waller Helms Advisors and Locke Lord LLP served as advisors to CopperPoint Insurance Companies. Macquarie Capital and Debevoise & Plimpton LLP served as advisors to Alaska National Corporation.

About CopperPoint Insurance Companies

Founded in 1925, CopperPoint Insurance Companies, **www.copperpoint.com**, is a leading provider of workers' compensation and commercial insurance solutions. With an expanded line of insurance products and a growing six state footprint in the western United States,



Insurance Companies, California based Pacific Compensation Insurance Company, and other CopperPoint insurance entities. All companies are rated A- (Excellent) by A.M. Best.

About Alaska National Insurance Company

Founded in 1980, Alaska National Insurance Company, **www.alaskanational.com**, is a leading commercial insurance provider in the western United States. Operating in four regions — Alaska, Pacific Northwest, Inland Northwest and California — the company focuses on workers' compensation, commercial property and auto, general liability, inland marine, umbrella, crime and other commercial insurance services. The company is rated A (Excellent) by A.M. Best. In 2019, Alaska National Insurance Company was again named to the **Property-Casualty Ward's 50® Companies** list of top performers, an honor it has earned across nine consecutive years.

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Company Type	License #	Original Issue Date	State	Status us Date	Domicile State
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Authorized Line			Status	Effective Date	Reinsurer
Workers Compensation - F	Property and Cas	ualty Insurer A	pproved	08/14/2018	No

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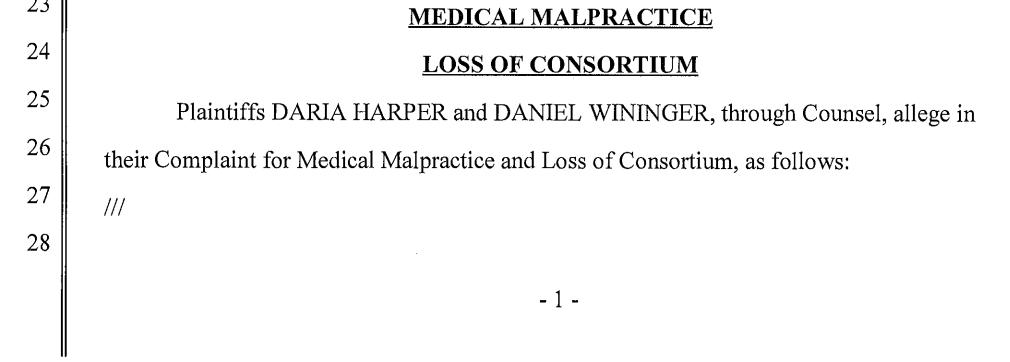
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8	DISTRIC	ΓCOURT
9	CLARK COUN	NTY NEVADA
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11	DARIA HARPER, DANIEL WININGER,	CASE NO.A- 16- 738004- C
12	Plaintiffs,	DEPARTMENT NO. XVI I
13	VS.	ARBITRATION EXEMPTION CLAIMED:
14	VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL	MEDICAL MALPRACTICE - RULE 3(A)(9)
15	CENTER, INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER;	
16	VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC, doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL	
17	MEDICAL CENTER; JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D.; CYNDI TRAN, D.O.;	
18	PAUL JANDA, D.O.; ELIZABETH PHUNG-HART, D.O.; ANDREA	
19	AGCAOILI, D.O.; MURAD JUSSA, M.D., and, DOES 1 through 250, inclusive,	
20	Defendants.	
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22	COMPLAINT FOR ME	DICAL MALPRACTICE



The true names, identities or capacities, whether individual, associate, 1. 1 corporate or otherwise of Defendants DOES 1 through 250, inclusive, are unknown to 2 Plaintiffs who, therefore, sue said Defendants by such fictitious names. When the true names, 3 identities or capacities of such fictitiously-designated Defendants are ascertained, Plaintiffs 4 will ask leave of Court to amend the Complaint to insert said true names, identities and 5 capacities, together with the proper charging allegations. 6 2. Plaintiffs are informed and believe and thereon allege that each of the 7 Defendants sued herein as a DOE is responsible in some manner for the events and 8 happenings herein referred to, thereby legally causing the injuries and damages to the 9 Plaintiffs as herein alleged. 10 11 3. All of the facts, acts, events and circumstances herein mentioned and described occurred in Clark County, State of Nevada, and all Defendants are residents of Clark County, 12 13 State of Nevada, doing business in said county, State of Nevada. 14 At all times herein mentioned Plaintiffs and each of them, were and currently 4. 15 are residents of Lake Havasu City, state of Arizona. 5. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants JEFFREY DAVIDSON, M.D., 16 17 CYNDI TRAN, D.O., PAUL JANDA, D.O. ELIZABETH PHUNG-HART, D.O., ANDREA AGCAOILI, D.O., MURAD JUSSA, M.D., and DOES I through 50, inclusive, were, and now 18 19 are, physicians and surgeons, holding themselves out as duly licensed to practice their profession under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada and were, and now are, 20 engaged in the practice of their profession in the State of Nevada. 21 At all times herein mentioned, Defendants DOES 51 through 100, inclusive, 22 6.

were, and now are, registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses, practical nurses, physician
assistants, aids, technicians, attendants, students or other paramedical personnel, holding
themselves out as duly able to practice their profession under and by virtue of the laws of the
State of Nevada and were, and now are, engaged in the practice of their profession in the State
of Nevada and acting as agents, employees and servants of some or all of the other Defendants
within the course and scope of said agency or employment.

7. At all times herein mentioned, Defendants VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL 1 CENTER, INC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, and 2 VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC., doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL 3 CENTER and DOES 101 through 150, and 151-250, and each of them, were corporations, 4 partnerships, joint ventures, or other entities organized and existing under the laws of the State 5 of Nevada and Delaware, with their principal place of business situated in the State of Nevada. 6 8. Defendants VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doing business 7 as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER and VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC., 8 doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER and DOES 151 through 200, 9 10 inclusive, were at all times herein mentioned duly organized Nevada corporations or hospitals existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nevada and other States; that said 11 Defendant corporations, hospitals and the remaining Defendants, and each of them, owned, 12 13 operated, managed and controlled a general hospital facility within Clark County, State of Nevada, held out to the public at large and to the Plaintiffs herein, as properly equipped, fully 14 15 accredited, competently staffed by qualified and prudent personnel and operating in compliance with the standard of due care maintained in other properly equipped, efficiently 16 17 operated and administered, accredited hospitals in said community commonly known as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER. 18

At all times herein mentioned Defendants DOES 201 through 250 were doing 19 9. 20 business as a district hospital, a hospital operated by a government entity open to the public, or a medical facility operated by a government entity open to the public rendering medical, 21 22 surgical, hospital, diagnostic, nursing and other care to the general public for compensation.

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23 All of the acts complained of herein by Plaintiffs against said Defendants were 10. done and performed by said Defendants by and through their duly authorized agents, servants 24 and employees, each of whom and all of whom were at all times mentioned herein acting 25 within the course, purpose, and scope of their said agency, service and employment, and 26 27 whose conduct was ratified by all Defendants, and each of them. Further, each Defendant 28 ratified and affirmed the conduct of each other Defendant. At all times set forth herein, each of - 3 -

the Defendants were acting as the agents, servants, and employees of the other Defendants. Defendants VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doing business 2 11. as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER and VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC., 3 doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER and DOES 151 through 250, 4 and each of them, at all times herein mentioned were institutions or controlled institutions, 5 duly accredited by the Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation, and assumed and held 6 themselves out to the public as in compliance with the minimum standards required by said 7 Joint Commission for such accreditation. 8

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Plaintiffs are informed and believe and upon such information and belief allege 9 12. 10 that at all times herein mentioned, Defendants and other Defendants named fictitiously, were 11 the agents, servants, employees, joint-venturers, and copartners of their said co-Defendants and, as such, were acting within the course and scope of such agency, service, partnership, 12 venture, and employment at all times herein mentioned; that each and every Defendant, as 13 aforesaid, when acting as a principal, was negligent in the selection and hiring of each and 14 15 every other Defendant, as its agent, servant, employee, joint-venturer and partner. Further, each and every Defendant ratified the conduct of the other Defendants. 16

- 17 Attached to this complaint are the following expert declarations supporting the 13. allegations of this complaint: 18
- (1) David A. Neer, M.D., Neurology specialist; 19 20 (2) Michael Steven Ritter M.D., Emergency Medicine specialist; 21 I. PLAINTIFF DARIA HARPER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR 22

23	MEDICAL MALPRACTICE AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF
24	THEM AS FOLLOWS:
25	14. Plaintiff DARIA HARPER repeats and repleads each and every allegation
26	contained in all prior paragraphs and incorporates the same herein by reference as to
27	Defendants and each of them.
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15. At all times herein mentioned, the Plaintiff, DARIA HARPER, was in the 1 2 exclusive control of the Defendants, and each of them, and that at no time prior to the events, conduct, activities, care and treatment herein complained of did the Defendants herein, or any 3 of them, obtain knowledgeable, informed consent for said care, treatment or conduct; that 4 prior to the initiation of or performance of said care, treatment, procedure or conduct no 5 opportunity was afforded the Plaintiff or any authorized agent of the Plaintiff to exercise 6 voluntary, knowledgeable and informed consent to said care, treatment, procedure or conduct. 7 8 16. On or about June 9, 2015 Plaintiff employed Defendants, and each of them, to diagnose and treat her medical condition, and to do all things necessary for her care and 9 10 treatment, including, but not limited to surgery and hospitalization. 11 17. While Plaintiff DARIA HARPER was under the sole and exclusive care and 12 control of the Defendants, and each of them, Defendants, and each of them negligently, 13 carelessly and unskillfully examined, treated, cared for, diagnosed, operated upon, attended and otherwise handled and controlled the Plaintiff herein, thereby proximately causing 14 15 injuries and damages to the. Said acts of negligence include, but are not limited to that although the plaintiff was emergently transferred to Valley Hospital Medical Center on June 9, 16 17 2015, for an emergency neurosurgical consultation because of weakness and an inability to move, as well as a CT scan that showed a mass compressing her spinal cord, the defendants 18 19 and each of them negligently delayed the diagnosis and treatment, and surgery was not performed until June 11, 2015. The negligent failure to diagnose and treat Daria Harper's 20 condition caused her permanent paralysis. 21 Defendants VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, INC., doing business 22 18.

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23	as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER and VALLEY HEALTH SYSTEM, LLC.,
24	doing business as VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, and DOES 101-250, neglected
25	to adequately select a competent medical staff and to periodically review the competency of its
26	medical staff and failed to adequately monitor its staff such that the Plaintiff was caused to,
27	and did suffer damages.
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1 19. As a legal result of the negligence of the Defendants, and each of them, the 2 Plaintiff was injured in health, strength and activity, sustaining severe shock, and injury to the 3 body, all of which said injuries have caused and continue to cause Plaintiff great physical, 4 emotional, and nervous pain and suffering, and which said injuries Plaintiff is informed and 5 believes, and thereon alleges, will result in loss of earnings, permanent disability, loss of 6 enjoyment of life, and impairment of earning capacity all to Plaintiff's damage, exceeding 7 \$10,000 and the minimum jurisdictional limit of the Court.

8 20. As a further legal result of the negligence of the Defendants, and each of them,
9 and the resulting injuries to the Plaintiff, said Plaintiff was compelled to, and did, incur
10 expenses for medical and surgical attention, hospitalization, nursing, medication and
11 incidentals for said Plaintiff in an amount unknown to Plaintiff at present.

12 21. As a further legal result of the negligence of the Defendants, and each of them,
13 and of the resulting injuries, Plaintiff will be obliged to incur expenses for medical care and
14 hospitalization for an indefinite period in the future and to pay for these expenses in the
15 treatment and relief of injuries for medical and surgical attention, hospitalization, nursing,
16 medication, and incidentals for said Plaintiff in an amount unknown to Plaintiff at present.

17 22. As a further legal result of the negligence of the Defendants, and each of them,
18 Plaintiff will suffer a decreased earning capacity in the future and future earnings to Plaintiff's
19 further damage in a sum unknown at present.

II.

PLAINTIFF DANIEL WININGER ALLEGES FOR A CAUSE OF ACTION FOR LOSS OF CONSORTIUM AGAINST DEFENDANTS AND EACH OF

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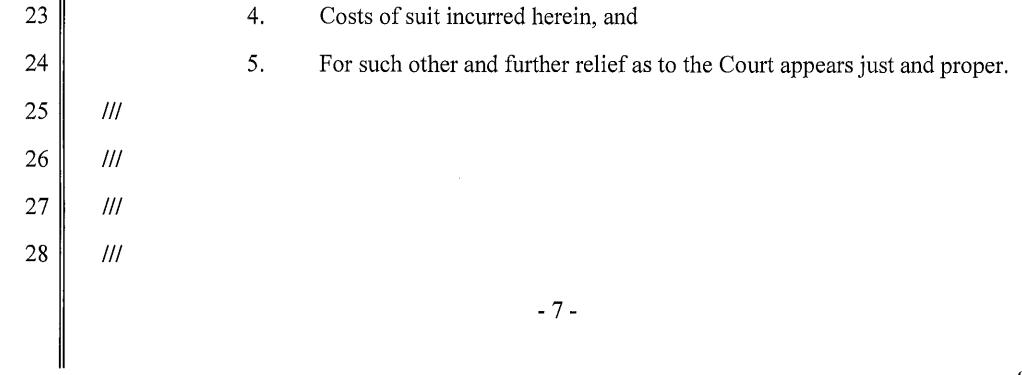
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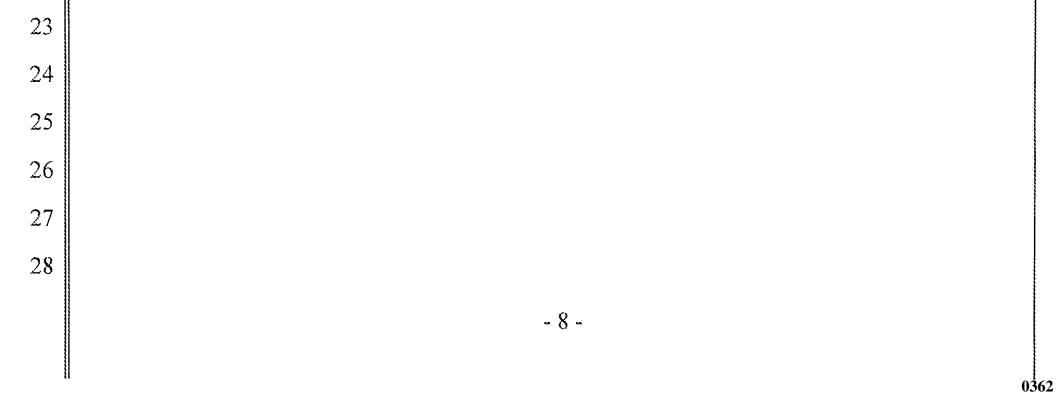
23	THEM AS FOLLOWS:
24	23. Plaintiff, Daniel Wininger, alleges and incorporates herein all the allegations
25	contained in paragraphs 1 through 22 of this Complaint.
26	24. Plaintiffs, Daria Harper and Daniel Wininger, were legally married at the time
27	of defendants' negligence.
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1	25.	25. As a direct and legal result of the defendants', and each of them, negligence,						
2	carelessness,	and ur	nskillfulness, plaintiff, Daniel Wininger, has and will continue to be					
3	deprived of t	he con	sortium of his wife, Daria Harper, all to his general and special damages,					
4	including pa	in, suff	ering, mental, physical and emotional distress. (Please see Expert					
5	Affidavits of	Micha	el Ritter, MD, and David Neer, MD, attached hereto as Exhibit 1 and					
6	incorporated	fully h	erein.)					
• 7	WHE	EREFO	RE, Plaintiffs pray for damages against the					
8	Defendants,	and eac	ch of them, as follows:					
9	I.	<u>FOR</u>	THE CAUSE OF ACTION FOR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE FOR					
10		<u>PLA</u>	INTIFF DARIA HARPER:					
11		1.	General damages, according to proof and exceeding \$10,000.					
12		2.	Past and future medical expenses, according to proof;					
13		3.	For loss of future earnings and earning capacity,					
14			according to proof;					
15		4.	Costs of suit incurred herein, and					
16		5.	For such other and further relief as to the Court appears just and proper.					
17	II.	FOR	THE CAUSE OF ACTION FOR LOSS OF CONSORTIUM FOR					
18		<u>PLA</u>	INTIFF DANIEL WININGER					
19		1.	General damages, according to proof and exceeding \$10,000.					
20		2.	Past and future medical expenses, according to proof;					
21		3.	For loss of future earnings and earning capacity,					
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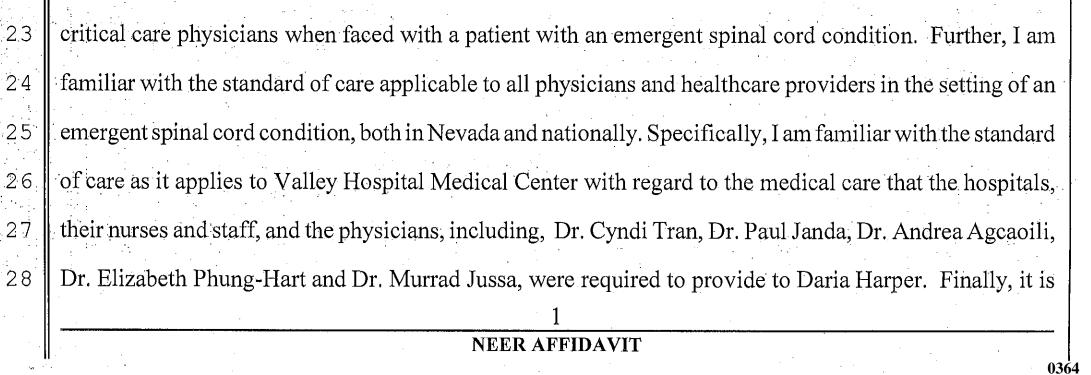
AFFIDAVIT OF DAVID NEER, M.D.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DAVID NEER, M.D., being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I received my medical degree from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in 1969.
 In 1973, I graduated from the University of Illinois Graduate School, Department of Pharmacology. I completed an internship in Internal Medicine at the University of Illinois Hospital and Veterans Administration Hospital in 1970. I completed a residency in Neurology at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in 1973. I have been an Assistant Professor and Assistant Clinical Professor of Neurology at both Rush Medical College and UCLA Hospitals and Clinics. I was engaged in the private practice of Neurology for 37 years. I have held staff positions as Lakewood Regional Medical Center, UCLA-Harbor General Medical Center, UCLA Hospitals and Clinics, and Long Beach Memorial Medical Center, in California. At those facilities I also held various administrative positions, such as Chief of Staff, Consulting Staff, and member of the Governing Board.

During the time of the care at issue in this case my area of practice was and is substantially
 similar to the practice being engaged at the time herein. Based upon my education, training experience and
 review of the materials set forth below, I am familiar with the standard of care expected of reasonably
 prudent physicians practicing medicine in the state of Nevada during the time relevant to this lawsuit. We
 are dealing with a national standard of care. As a neurologist I was involved on a daily basis with critically
 ill patients and patients with emergent neurological conditions, such as spinal epidural abscesses. As such,
 I am familiar with the standard of care applicable to hospitals, nursing staff, neurologists, hospitalists, and

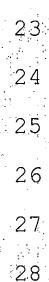


my understanding that the multiple residents who examined Ms. Harper were employees of Valley Hospital, with the attending physicians and hospital both bearing responsibility for their actions and inactions. Finally, as indicated above, the standard of practice in this context is a national standard, and therefore applies to Las Vegas, Nevada as of June 2015.

3. I have reviewed the Havasu Regional Medical Center and Valley Hospital Medical Center records, including diagnostic imaging from those facilities, all pertaining to Daria Harper, who was a patient at Havasu Regional Medical Center and Valley Hospital Medical Center on June 8, 2015 to July 15, 2015. Ms. Harper was admitted to each facility with complaints of inability to move her upper and lower extremities.

4. Ms. Harper arrived at Valley Hospital at approximately 6:00 AM on June 9, 2015. Thereafter, she was examined by an emergency room physician, who noted that she was unable to move, was not responsive, and had been admitted for further neurology and possible neurosurgical evaluation. The emergency room physician also noted the CT scan from Havasu Regional revealed displacement of the thecal sac of Ms. Harper's spine. Given this information, the standard of care required stat neurology and neurosurgical consultations, along with a stat CT scan and/or MRI of the spine. A breach of the standard of care occurred when no such orders were placed.

5. Thereafter, Ms. Harper was evaluated by Dr. Cyndi Tran and Dr. Paul Janda. Both
physicians noted that Ms. Harper was unable to move her extremities, with an impaired neurological
examination. Further, Dr. Tran and Dr. Janda noted that the CT scan of the spine revealed no acute
pathology, fracture, malalignment or soft tissue swelling, which was incorrect and demonstrates that
neither physician reviewed the imaging or the report. Based upon this information, the standard of care
required that Dr. Tran and Dr. Janda order a stat neurosurgical consultation and a stat MRI of the spine.



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However, neither physician issued such orders, thereby breaching the standard of care. Further, as stated above, as Dr. Tran was a resident, both Valley Hospital and Dr. Janda are responsible for her breach of the standard of care.

6. At or about 12:15 PM, Ms. Harper was evaluated by Dr. Andrea Agcaoili. At or about that

time, Dr. Agcaoili issued an order for a stat CT scan of the thorax. Given Ms. Harper's condition,

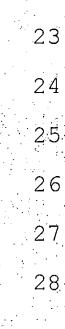
including the emergent findings of the CT scan from Havasu Regional, her inability to move, low tone, and

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lack of motor response, the standard of care required that Dr. Agcaoili review the chart and issue stat orders for a neurosurgical consultation and an MRI of the spine. Dr. Agcaoili's failure to properly assess the patient, review the chart, and ensure that Ms. Harper was receiving treatment, which would have prompted the aforementioned orders, was a breach of the standard of care. As stated above, as Dr. Agcaoili was a resident, both Valley Hospital and Dr. Murrad Jussa are responsible for her breach of the standard of care.

At or about 12:15 PM, Ms. Harper was also evaluated by Dr. Elizabeth Phung-Hart. Dr. 7. Phung-Hart issued orders for neurological assessments. However, the records do not reveal that Dr. Phung-Hart examined the patient prior to issuing such orders, nor did she review the chart to ensure that Ms. Harper was receiving proper care. Given Ms. Harper's condition, including the emergent findings of the CT scan from Havasu Regional, her inability to move, low tone, and lack of motor response, the standard of care required that Dr. Phung-Hart review the chart and issue stat orders for a neurosurgical consultation and an MRI of the spine. The failure to do so was a breach of the standard of care. Assuming that Dr. Phung-Hart is a resident, both her attending physician, whose identity is unknown at this time, and Valley Hospital are responsible for her breach of the standard of care.

15 It was not until the following morning at 7:13 AM that Ms. Harper was next evaluated by 8. a physician. At that time, she was examined by Dr. Agcaoili and Dr. Murrad Jussa. Both physicians noted 16 that Ms. Harper was unable to move her arms and legs, with no motor response, and that overnight she had 17 developed a high fever, which is a sign of infection. Dr. Agcaoili and Dr. Jussa also noted, incorrectly, that 18 a CT scan of Ms. Harper's spine revealed no acute pathology, fracture, malalignment or soft tissue 19 swelling. Dr. Agcaoili's and Dr. Jussa's plan noted weakness in the upper and lower extremities secondary 20 to a "CVA vs spinal lesion vs acute inflammatory demyelination polyradiculoneuropathy (AIDP) vs opiate 21 overdose," with a follow up brain MRI of the spine. However, given those findings the standard of care 22 required that both Dr. Agcaoili and Dr. Jussa order a stat neurosurgical consultation and a stat MRI of the spine. The failure to do so was a breach of the standard of care. Further, as stated above, as Dr. Agcaoili was a resident, both Valley Hospital and Dr. Jussa are responsible for her breach of the standard of care Finally, it was not until the evening of June 10, 2015, that Ms. Harper received an MRI of 9. her spine which identified a spinal epidural abscess and prompted notification of neurosurgeon Dr. Gregory Douds. By that time, more than 48 hours had elapsed from the start of Ms. Harper's symptoms. It is my



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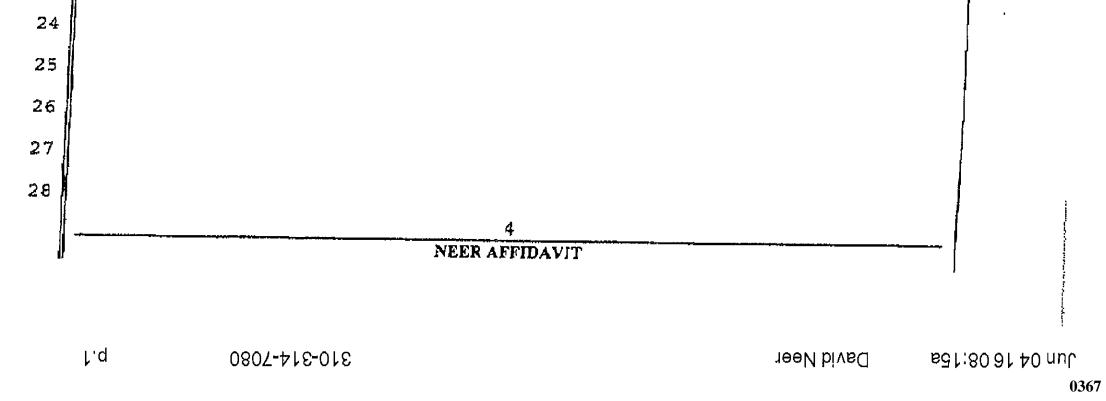
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	1	opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical probability, that by the time Ms. Harper's abscess was identified
	2	on MRI and Dr. Douds notified, Ms. Harper's spinal cord was irreparably damaged. It is also my opinion,
	3	to a reasonable degree of medical probability, had Ms. Harper received earlier medical treatment,
	4	compliant with the standard of care, she would not be paralyzed.
	5	10. It is my opinion to a reasonable degree of medical certainty that each of the standard of care
	6	violations set forth in this affidavit were substantial factors in causing permanent paralysis and injury to
	7	Daria Harper, as well as her husband's loss of consortium.
	8	FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT
	9	I declare under the penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true
1	0	and correct.
11	1	Executed this <u></u> day of June, 2016, at Santa Monica, California.
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AFFIDAVIT OF MICHAEL STEVEN RITTER, MD, FAAEM, FACEP STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF ORANGE)

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MICHAEL STEVEN RITTER, MD, FAAEM, FACEP, being duly sworn, deposes and says: 1. I received my medical degree from the University of California, Irvine, in 1991. I completed a residency in Emergency Medicine at the University of California, Irvine, Medical Center in 1994. Since 1996 I have been an Attending Physician in the emergency department at Mission Hospital and Regional Medical Center & Children's Hospital at Mission, in Mission Viejo, California. From 1999 to 2012, I was the Associate Medical Director, Emergency Department, at Mission Hospital and Children's Hospital at Mission. Additionally, since 1998, I have been an Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Emergency Medicine, at the University of California, Irvine Medical Center. I am currently the Medical Director, Emergency Department, at Mission Hospital at Mission. I am Board Certified in Emergency Medicine.

15 During the time of the care at issue in this case and currently my area of practice was and 2is substantially similar to the practice being engaged at the time herein. Based upon my education, training 16 experience and review of the materials set forth below, I am familiar with the standard of care expected 17of reasonably prudent physicians practicing medicine in the state of Nevada during the time relevant to 18 this lawsuit. We are dealing with a national standard of care. As medical director of the emergency 19 20 department I am involved on a daily basis with administrative responsibilities at Mission Hospital, which includes review of hospital and nursing protocols and thus, I am also familiar with the standard of care 21 applicable to hospitals, nursing staff and all other health care providers who provide emergency services 22 in the state of Nevada during the time relearnt to this lawsuit. Specifically, I am familiar with the standard 23 of care as it applies to Valley Hospital Medical Center, their nurses and health care providers, including, 24 but not limited to, Dr. Jeffrey Davidson, with regard to the medical care that the hospitals and their nurses 25 26 and staff were required to provide to Daria Harper. As indicated, the standard of practice is a national 27 standard therefore applies to Las Vegas, Nevada as of June 2015. 28 I have reviewed the Havasu Regional Medical Center and Valley Hospital Medical Center 3.

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records, including diagnostic imaging from those facilities, all pertaining to Daria Harper, who was a patient at Havasu Regional Medical Center and Valley Hospital Medical Center from June 8, 2015 to July 15, 2015. Ms. Harper was admitted to each facility with complaints of inability to move her upper and lower extremities.

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4. Ms. Harper presented to Havasu Regional Medical Center on June 8, 2015, with complaints of bilateral lower and upper extremity weakness, with inability to move and low tone. A CT scan performed at 1:44 AM on June 9, 2015, revealed anterior and rightward displacement of the thecal sac, suspicious for either a hematoma or an abscess. Such a finding is an emergent condition. The standard of care in this setting, required that Ms. Harper be transferred on a stat bases to another facility for higher level care.

Ms. Harper arrived at Valley Hospital at approximately 6:00 AM on June 9, 2015. 11 5. Thereafter, she was examined by Dr. Jeffrey Davidson, who noted that she was unable to move, was not 12 responsive, and had been admitted for further neurology and possible neurosurgical evaluation. Dr. 13 Davidson also noted the CT scan from Havasu Regional revealed displacement of the thecal sac of Ms. 14 Harper's spine. Given this information, the standard of care to a reasonable degree of medical certainty 15 required stat neurology and neurosurgical consultations, along with a stat CT scan and/or MRI of the spine. 16 Dr. Davidson breached the standard of care by failing to issue such orders. Plaintiff, Daria Harper, did not 17 exercise any independent choice in the selection of her physicians and other healthcare professionals at the 18 19 time that she presented with her neurosurgical emergency. Physicians and staff were selected for her and, 20 as such, the physicians and staff were acting as agents for Valley Hospital Medical Center.

6. By that time Ms. Harper underwent surgery to decompress her spine, more than 48 hours
had elapsed from the start of Ms. Harper's symptoms. It is my opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical

probability, that by the time Ms. Harper's abscess was identified on MRI and Dr. Douds notified, Ms. Harper's spinal cord was irreparably damaged. It is also my opinion, to a reasonable degree of medical probability, had Ms. Harper received earlier medical treatment, compliant with the standard of care, she would not be paralyzed.

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- 1 Daria Harper, as well as her husband's loss of consortium.
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I declare under the penalty of perjury under the law of the State of Nevada that the foregoing is true

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Executed this 3 - day

day of June, 2016, at Orange County, California.

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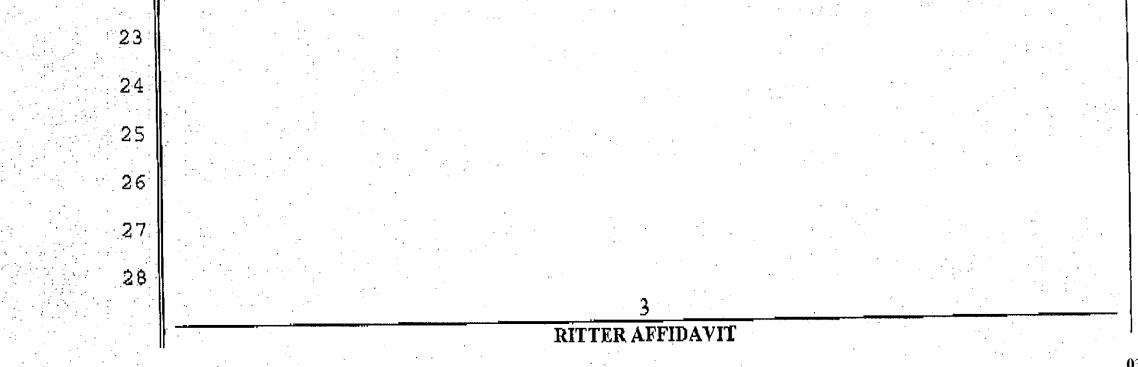


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LIFE CARE PLAN

DARIA HARPER-WININGER

DOB: June 9, 1970 DOL: June 9, 2015 Date Prepared: February 9, 2018 Primary Disability: SCI - C4 ASIA C Quadriplegia

PROJECTED EVALUATIONS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By		
Rehabilitation/ Long-term Needs Assessment	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 47 1/2018	1 x only – Already Accomplished	Life care planning.	Per Unit \$0 ——— Per Year \$0	One time already accomplished as of 12/5/17 initial evaluation.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP		
concise plan for current International Academy Through the developme	A Life Care Plan is a dynamic document based upon published standards of practice, comprehensive assessment, data analysis, and research, which provides an organized, concise plan for current and future needs, with associated costs, for individuals who have experienced catastrophic injury or have chronic health care needs. (IALCP – International Academy of Life Care Planners, 2003. Definition established during the 2000 Life Care Planning Summit).							
environment for optima minimizing the long-ter	The goals of a comprehensive Life Care Plan are to: improve and maintain the clinical state of the patient; prevent secondary complications; provide the clinical and physical environment for optimal recovery; provide support for the family; and to provide a disability management program aimed at preventing unnecessary complications and ninimizing the long-term care needs of the patient. The main avoidable complications requiring careful monitoring and appropriate preventative and treatment programs are: bladder and renal tract complications; constipation or diarrhea; under nutrition; respiratory infections; stress ulceration; deep vein thrombophlebitis; decubitus ulceration;							

complications of medications and disruption of family dynamics.

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PROJECTED EVALUATIONS – CONTINUED*

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Task Force (USPSTF), the History and Physical Exam Function; Urinary testing s Chest X-ray, Electrocardio phosphates/prostatic specif	* The Veteran's Administration (VA) annual exam for persons with SCI developed its list of 33 preventative procedures from research published by the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF), the Clinical Practice Guidelines published by the Consortium for Spinal Cord Medicine (CSCM), and MEDLINE. These include the following: Medical History and Physical Exam including Sensory and Motor level reflex functions, Skeletal Changes, ADL function changes, Skin Integrity, Cardiovascular assessment, Pulmonary Function; Urinary testing such as: Creatinine clearance, Renal Sonogram, Renal Scan (CT), IVP, Cystoscopy with biopsy, and Urodynamics; General Medical Tests including Chest X-ray, Electrocardiogram for asymptomatic coronary heart disease, CBC and Chemical Profile (including lipids), Urinalysis and Culture/Sensitivity to include acid phosphates/prostatic specific antigen for patients over age 40, Rectosigmoidoscopy (over age 40), or colonoscopy when indicated, Abdominal sonogram; Functional and Other Evaluations to include: Psychosocial Assessment, Vocational Rehabilitation, Sexuality, Rehabilitation evaluation to include changes due to aging, Dietary and Nutritional Assessment							
Comprehensive Rehabilitation Re-evaluation at Craig	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor status; evaluate SCI specific condition, therapy and equipment/	Per Unit \$12,000 - \$15,000	Costs obtained from Craig Hospital	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP		
Hospital**	Ending 77 2047		supply needs; provide comprehensive recommendations and/or treatment plans.	Per Year \$12,000 - \$15,000				
** The cost for a comprehensive rehabilitation reevaluation at Craig Hospital includes a review of records; nurse practitioner evaluations; urology with cystoscopy and urodynamic studies if performed; physical and occupational therapy evaluations for motor/sensory changes, posture, transfers, activities of daily living and functional tests, equipment evaluations, etc.; psychosocial evaluation and counseling; clinic service facility fees (e.g. neurosurgical, skin, respiratory, etc.); team conferences; and written reports documenting the results and recommendations. Cost does not include physician consultation fees, radiology, laboratory studies or travel or lodging during the reevaluations.								
model systems program (es	According to data collected by the National Spinal Cord Injury Statistical Center (NSCISC) at the University of Alabama in Birmingham, individuals who are involved with a nodel systems program (established in the 1970's by the National Institute of Rehabilitation and Research) experience great functional ability at discharge. Mattson-Prince, J. 1997). A rational approach to long-term care: comparing the independent living model with agency-based care for persons with high spinal cord injuries. Spinal Cord, 35, 326-							

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PROJECTED EVALUATIONS - CONTINUED

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Specialist	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Assess status during comprehensive rehabilitation reevaluations at Craig Hospital; provide recommendations.	Per Unit \$150 ——— Per Year \$150	Costs obtained from Craig Hospital	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Nurse Practitioner Consultation	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Assess status during comprehensive rehabilitation reevaluations at Craig Hospital; provide recommendations.	Per Unit \$300 - \$400 Per Year \$300 - \$400	Costs obtained from Craig Hospital	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Nutritional Evaluation*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Monitor nutritional status and dietary intake to assist with maintaining ideal weight and bowel function; provide recommendations.	Per Unit \$272 — Per Year \$272	Costs obtained from Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
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should be encouraged to maintain a heart-healthy diet with low saturated fat and cholesterol. Weight control should be promoted and incorporated into nutritional counseling. Exercise and a general increase in physical activity should be encouraged. *Source: Lammertse, Daniel P., MD, Maintaining Health Long-Term with SCI, Topics in SCI Injury Rehabilitation 2001;6(3):1-21, Thomas Land Publishers, Winter 2001.*

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Physical Therapy Evaluation*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Assess lower extremity status and functioning; monitor and update home exercise program.	Per Unit \$171 ——————————————————————————————————	Costs obtained from Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
the benefits of living into la ore now shared by persons declining energy, and loss o	te life comes some with SCI, but at an of strength are exam- ne more rapidly foll	of the consequences of earlier age than anticip pples of new challenges	nctional problems before thei f age-associated declines in p bated when compared to a nor s people face whether they ar e: Kemp, B. & Thompson, L.	hysical performance. n-disabled population e aging with or witho	The concerns of declines in . Loss of function, pain, musu ut SCI. Older individuals w	function with advancing age sculoskeletal problems, no sustain an SCI begin to
Occupational Therapy Evaluation	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Assess upper extremity status, activities of daily living (ADLs) functioning, adaptive equipment and home care needs; monitor and update home exercise program.	Per Unit \$165 ——— Per Year \$165	Costs obtained from Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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THERAPEUTIC MODALITIES

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Botox Injections 200 units	Beginning 47 1/2018		1 2	Per Unit \$6,284	\$505/professional fee \$379/e-stim guidance \$5,400/medication fee \$6,284/visit	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$25,136	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Physical Therapy	Beginning 47 1/2018	12x/yr.	Improve and maintain lower extremity strength, function, range	Per Unit \$278	\$278/average visit Medical Fees 2017 75%	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047		of motion and endurance; treat pain flare-ups.	Per Year \$3,336	adjusted to Arizona	
CPT 97112 Neuromuscu CPT 97140 Manual ther	lar reeducation: \$7 apy: \$68/15 minute	1/15 minutes; \$284/60 es; \$272/60 minutes	ce, range of motion and flexit minutes e: \$69/15 minutes; \$276/60 m		utes; \$280/60 minutes	
			2. \$07715 minutes, \$276/60 m			
Occupational Therapy	Beginning 47 1/2018	12x/yr.	Improve and maintain upper extremity strength, function, range	Per Unit \$263	\$263/average visit Medical Fees 2017 75%	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Endingof motion and endurance; treat pain flare-ups.Per	Per Year \$3,156	adjusted to Arizona			
CPT 97110 Therapeutic	exercise to develop tivities to improve	o strength and endurand functional performance	ents of each code or a combin ce, range of motion and flexib e: \$69/15 minutes; \$276/60 m s; \$232/60 minutes	oility: \$70/15 min		<u> </u>

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THERAPEUTIC MODALITIES - CONTINUED

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Respiratory Therapy	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/wk. (52 wks./yr.)	Improve and maintain cardiopulmonary system; treat breathing problems.	Per Unit \$157	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$8,164		
Lymphedema Management	Beginning 47 1/2018	3x/wk. for 4 wks. per year (12x/year)	Manage bilateral lower extremity edema.	Per Unit \$272	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$3,264		
Neuromuscular Massage	Beginning 47 1/2018	2x/mo.	Treat/relieve chronic neck and upper extremity pain.	Per Unit \$80 - \$120		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,920 - \$2,880		

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
	Beginning 47 1/2018	3x/wk. for 12 wks. (36 sessions); then 1x/mo. to life	Aid in psychosocial adjustment and adaptation to disability; improve and	Per Unit \$198	\$7,128/12 wks.; then \$2,376/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047	expectancy	maintain coping skills.	Per Year	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
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	le approaches that of	f the general population		, Ph.D., Vaccaro,	A., M.D. Rehabilitation of Per	
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MEDICAL CARE

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Primary Care Physician	Beginning 47 1/2018	2x/yr.	Monitor status; treat conditions related to spinal cord injury (SCI);	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047		medication management; make referrals to specialists as needed.	Per Year \$308 - \$452		
			th SCI developed its list of 33 published by the Consortium for			
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation (PMR) Specialist*	Beginning 47 1/2018	4x/yr.	Monitor medical status; treat conditions related to SCI; supervise therapy	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047		needs.	Per Year \$616 - \$904		
Services Task Force (USF Medical History and Phy	STF), the Clinical I sical Exam includi	Practice Guidelines J ing Sensory and Mo	ith SCI developed its list of 33 p published by the Consortium for tor level reflex functions, Skelet ude: Rehabilitation evaluation to	Spinal Cord Medicin tal Changes, ADL fur	ne (CSCM), and MEDLINE, action changes, skin Integrity	These include the following:
Neurologist	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor neurological status; treat problems related to SCI.	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$154 - \$226		

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MEDICAL CARE

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Neurosurgeon	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending	1x/yr.	Monitor neurosurgical status; treat problems related to SCI.	Per Unit \$730 ———— Per Year	Cost obtained for Dr. Falci from Craig Hospital	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	77 2047			\$730		
Pulmonologist	Beginning 47 1/2018	3x/yr.	Monitor pulmonology status; treat problems related to medical condition.	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$462 - \$678		
Pain Management Specialist	Beginning 47 1/2018	4x/yr.	Monitor status; complete Botox injections; pain medication management.	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$616 - \$904		
Colorectal Surgeon	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor colorectal problems and fissures; treat problems related to medical condition.	Per Unit \$154 - \$226	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$154 - \$226		

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Neuro-urologist	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	4x/yr.	Monitor urological status and suprapubic catheter; treat problems related to SCI and neurogenic bladder.	Per Unit \$154 - \$226 Per Year \$616 - \$904	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Podiatrist*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	4x/yr.	Monitor foot health; trim toenails.	Per Unit \$150 - \$175 Per Year	\$200-\$280/initial visit; then \$150-\$175/visit \$650-\$805/1 st year; then \$600-\$700/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

* Foot conditions considered to be trivial can become life threatening in some patients with SCI. Neurological events associated with an ingrown toenail, for example, can threaten life and become the causative factor in inducing a hypertensive crisis in patients who experience autonomic dysreflexia (AD). AD is a syndrome unique to patients with SCI at or above the level of T6 once spinal shock has worn off. There is dysfunction of the autonomic nervous system, which is caused by simultaneous sympathetic and parasympathetic activity. This neurological disorder produces an immediate increase in blood pressure in response to noxious stimuli below the level of the lesion, which can lead to a CVA and death during an attack. Onychocryptosis (ingrown toenail) is well documented as a triggering factor in almost all the literature. After the main triggers for AD, ingrown nails were the highest reported uncommon cause. A far greater percentage of the SCI population have ingrown nails as compared to the non SCI population. Other causes of referrals to podiatry for the SCI included overgrown nails, septic toes, localized infection and paronychia (inflammation involving the folds of tissue surrounding the nail). Treatment for AD is a multifactoril approach. Appropriate bowel and bladder programs, together with meticulous skin care are a high priority in management to prevent AD. Appropriate skin and wound care to prevent noxious stimuli should be sought by the patient, and SCI units do encourage the use of podiatrists (Freestone, 1996). SCI patients are encouraged to use a podiatrist and to seek meticulous skin care. Overgrown toenails, infection, hemorrhage as a result of treatment, an unusually high incidence of ingrown toenails and associated problems resulting from the use of local anesthetic, make this patient group one of special concern to the podiatrist. Sources: * Brad, R.I.P.. Rocco, J.F. (1991): Autonomic Dysreflexia. A survey of current treatment. AMJ Phys Med Rehab. 70 (5) pp. 234-41. * Comar, A.E. (1984): Autonomic Dysreflexia (Hyperreflexia). Paraplegia Society, 7, pp. 53-7. * Freestone, C. (1996): Information regarding Spinal Cord Injured people in the community. Community Liaison Department, London Spinal Injuries Unit. Royal National Orthopedic Hospital, Unpublished. * Lindan, R. Joiner, E. Freehafer, A.A. Hazel, C. (1980): Incidence and clinical features of autonomic dysreflexia in patients with SCI. Paraplegia. 18, pp. 285-92. * McClain, W. A., Shields, C.P. Sixsmith, D.M. Clinical Practice Guideline: Spinal Cord Medicine: Acute Management of Autonomic Dysreflexia: Adults with SCI Presenting to Health-Care Facilities. Consortium for Spinal Cord Medicine. 1997, Paralyzed Veterans of America. Some of the more common causes of Autonomic Dysreflexia (AD) include: Pressure Ulcers, Ingrown Toenail, Blisters, Constrictive clothing, shoes or appliances. Because of the loss of sensation, individuals with SCI can have significant pathology with minimal symptoms. These may include problems such as acute abdominal pathology, long bone fractures and ingrown toenails (Brad and Rocco, 1991).

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MEDICATIONS*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Cranberry Extract Gel	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Prevent urinary tract infections.	Per Unit	\$9.27-\$19.99/120 tabs \$0.08-\$0.17/tab/day \$29-\$62/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$29 - \$62	1	
Dulcolax Suppository	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Bowel program.	Per Unit	\$27.39-\$31.99/28 tabs \$0.98-\$1.14/tab/day \$358-\$416/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$358 - \$416		
Movantik 25 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Bowel program.	Per Unit \$402 - \$412.53	\$402-\$412.53/30 days \$13.40-\$13.75/day \$4,891-\$5,019/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$4,891 - \$5,019		
Zofran 4 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 tab q 4 hrs. prn (15 tabs/mo.)	Treat/prevent nausea.	Per Unit \$44.99 - \$62.99	\$44.99-\$62.99/15 tabs \$540-\$756/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$540 - \$756		
* Costs are based on curr	ent consumption. M	ls. Harper will be on	these or similar classes of m	edications throughout he	er lifetime.	

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MEDICATIONS - CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Lactulose 10 cc	Lactulose 10 cc Beginning 47 1/2018	10x/mo.	Treat constipation.	Per Unit \$51 - \$57	\$51-\$57/month \$612-\$684/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$612 - \$684		
Miralax 17 gm	Beginning 47 1/2018	1-2x/day	Treat/prevent constipation.	Per Unit \$24.49 - \$27.99	.99 \$24.49-\$27.99/30 days \$0.82-\$0.93/day \$299-\$339/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Ending 77 20	U			Per Year \$299 - \$339		
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Flovent Inhaler	Beginning 47 1/2018	2 puffs 2x/day 1 inhaler/mo.	Treat respiratory problems.	Per Unit \$243 - \$275.99	\$243-\$275.99/30 days \$8.10-\$9.20/day \$2,957-\$3,358/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,957 - \$3,358		
47	Beginning 47 1/2018	3 puffs 2x/day 2 inhalers/mo.	Treat respiratory problems.	Per Unit	\$65-\$70/inhaler \$130-\$140/30 days \$4.33-\$4.67/day	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,580 - \$1,705	\$1,580-\$1,705/year	
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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Albuterol 2.5 in 3 cc NS	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending	2-3x/day	Treat respiratory problems; use with nebulizer.	Per Unit \$45 - \$54 Per Year	\$45-\$54/60 ct. \$0.75-\$0.90/each \$1.50-\$2.70/day \$548-\$986/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	77 2047			\$548 - \$657		
Acetylcysteine (Mucomyst) 20% Vial	Beginning 47 1/2018	2 ml 4x/day prn (1 box/2 mos. (25 vials/box)	Treat respiratory problems; use with nebulizer; relieve mucus congestion.	Per Unit \$18.00 - \$19.99	\$18.00-\$19.99/box	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Edgar Livingstone, M.D.
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$108 - \$120		
OxyContin 15 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	2x/day	Treat pain.	Per Unit \$160 - \$162	\$160-\$162/30 days \$5.33-\$5.40/day \$1,945-\$1,971/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,945 - \$1,971		
OxyContin 10 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 tab 4x/day	Treat pain.	Per Unit \$228 -\$230	\$228-\$230/30 days \$7.60-\$7.67/day \$2,774-\$2,800/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,774 - \$2,800		
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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Neurontin 600 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1.5 tabs 3x/day	Treat neuropathic pain.	Per Unit \$200 - \$240 	\$200-\$240/30 days \$6.67-\$8.00/day \$2,435-\$2,920/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,435 - \$2,920		
Sumatriptan 6 mg/0.5 ml Auto Injector	Beginning 47 1/2018	Daily 1 kit/mo. (2 pens/kit)	Prevent migraine headaches.	Per Unit \$174.67 - \$202 	\$174.67-\$202/30 days \$5.82-\$6.73/day \$2,124-\$2,456/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,124 - \$2,456		
Voltaren Gel 1% 100 gm	Beginning	Daily	Treat pain.	Per Unit	\$47-\$59/30 days	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
C	47 1/2018	1 tube/mo.		\$47 - \$59 	\$1.57-\$1.97/day \$573-\$719/year	
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$573-\$719		
	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 tab 4x/day	Treat anxiety.	Per Unit \$111 - \$115	\$111-\$115/30 days \$3.70-\$3.83/day \$1,351-\$1,398/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,351 - \$1,398		
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MEDICATIONS – CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Elavil 25 mg 47 1/2018	1 tab 2x/day	Treat depression.	Per Unit \$40 - \$42	\$40-\$42/30 days \$1.33-\$1.40/day \$485-\$511/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP	
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$485 - \$511		
Baclofen 10 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	3x/day	Treat spasticity.	Per Unit \$62 - \$67	\$62-\$67/30 days \$2.07-\$2.23/day \$756-\$814/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$756 - \$814			
Lasix 20 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	2x/day	Treat fluid retention and edema.	Per Unit \$12 - \$14	\$12-\$14/30 days \$0.40-\$0.47/day \$146-\$172/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$146 - \$172		
Midodrine 5 mg	lidodrine 5 mg 47 1/2018	1 tab q 4 hrs. prn (15 tabs/mo.)	Treat low blood pressure.	Per Unit \$38 - \$41	\$38-\$41/30 days \$1.27-\$1.37/day \$464-\$500/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$464 - \$500		
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MEDICATIONS – CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Prenatal Multivitamin	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$14.49-\$34.79/60 tabs \$0.24-\$0.58/tab/day \$88-\$212/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$88 - \$212		
Fluconazole 150 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 tab for 3 days @ 3-4x/yr.	Treat yeast infections related to medications.	Per Unit	\$50.00-\$52.00/3 tabs	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$150 - \$208		
Benadryl 8 oz	Beginning 47 1/2018	3x/wk. 1 bottle/mo.	Treat itching related to medications.	Per Unit \$7.89 - \$11.49		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$95 - \$138		
Refresh Eyedrops	Beginning 47 1/2018	Daily 1 bottle/2 wks.	Treat dry eyes.	Per Unit \$10.40 - \$16.91		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$270 - \$440		
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MEDICATIONS – CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
B6 Vitamin	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$0.04-\$0.12/tab/day	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047	-		Per Year \$15 - \$44		
Iron 325 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$0.03-\$0.10/tab/day	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$11 - \$37		
Magnesium Oxide 400 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$9.00-\$14.00/60 tabs \$0.15-\$0.23/tab/day \$55-\$84/year	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$55 - \$84		
Vitamin D3 2000 iu	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$0.05-\$0.13/tab/day	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$18 - \$47	_	
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MEDICATIONS - CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Vitamin C 500 mg	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 tab/day	Nutritional supplementation.	Per Unit	\$0.05-\$0.13/tab/day	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$18 - \$47		
Hemorrhoid Cream 1.8 oz	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/day 1 tube/mo.	Treat hemorrhoids.	Per Unit \$13.29 - \$14.99		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$159 - \$180		
Bactrim DS	Beginning 47 1/2018	2x/day for 7 days every 2 yrs.	Treat urinary tract infections (UTIs).	Per Unit	\$12-\$14/14 tabs	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$6 - \$7		
Levaquin 250 mg	Beginning 48 1/2019	1x/day for 7 days every 2 yrs.	Treat UTIs.	Per Unit	\$14-\$35/7 tabs	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$7 - \$18		
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MEDICATIONS - CONTINUED*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Influenza Vaccine	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Prevent influenza.	Per Unit \$32 - \$45 Per Year \$32 - \$45		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Pneumococcal Vaccine	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5 yrs.	Prevent pneumococcal disease.	Per Unit \$110 - \$120 ——— Per Year \$22 - \$24		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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LABORATORY

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Complete Blood Count (CBC)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor physiological status and effects of medications.	Per Unit \$64	\$43/lab fee <u>\$21/draw fee</u> \$64/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$64	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Comprehensive Metabolic Panel (CMP)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor physiological status and effects of medications.	Per Unit \$96	\$75/lab fee <u>\$21/draw fee</u> \$96/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$96	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Urinalysis with Culture and Sensitivity	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Diagnose urinary tract infections (UTIs) and determine treatment.	Per Unit \$60	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$60		
Drug Testing	Beginning 47 1/2018	4x/yr.	Monitor pain medication compliance.	Per Unit \$149	\$128/lab fee <u>\$21/draw fee</u> \$149/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$596	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	

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DIAGNOSTIC STUDIES

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Cystoscopy*	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.		Per Unit \$0		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year		
Urodynamic Studies*	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor urinary tract function and optimize bladder management.	Per Unit \$0		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year		
* The cost for cystoscopi	es and urodynamic	studies are included in	the cost for the Comprehensi	ve Rehabilitation Reev	valuations at Craig Hospital	
Renal Scan	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/2 yrs.	Monitor kidney status.	Per Unit \$1,138	\$263/professional fee <u>\$875/facility fee</u> \$1,138/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$569	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Renal Ultrasound	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor kidney function.	Per Unit \$633	\$178/professional fee <u>\$455/facility fee</u> \$633/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$633	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	

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Cervical MRI	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor cervical spine status.	Per Unit \$2,203	\$363/professional fee <u>\$1,840/facility fee</u> \$2,203/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,203	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Chest X-ray	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor pulmonary status.	Per Unit \$167	\$49/professional fee <u>\$118/facility fee</u> \$167/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$167	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Echocardiogram	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Monitor cardiac function.	Per Unit \$1,355	\$320/professional fee <u>\$1,035/facility fee</u> \$1,355/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$271	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
Pulmonary Function Test (PFT)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/yr.	Monitor pulmonary function.	Per Unit \$439	\$90/professional fee <u>\$349/facility fee</u> \$439/each	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$439	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	

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47 1/2018 thrombosis. \$810 <u>\$661/facility fee</u>		47 1/2018 ———— Ending	1x/yr.	Monitor for sleep apnea.	\$3,451 ————————————————————————————————————	<u>\$2,887/facility fee</u> \$3,451/each Medical Fees 2017 75%	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Ending 77 2047 Per Year \$810 Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	Venous Doppler	47 1/2018 ———— Ending	1x/yr.	-	\$810 ————————————————————————————————————	<u>\$661/facility fee</u> \$810/each Medical Fees 2017 75%	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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WHEELCHAIR NEEDS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Permobil F5 Corpus Power Wheelchair*	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Independent mobility.	Per Unit \$53,068	*Still researching cost	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 1/6/17 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$10,614		
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Tilite Aero Z Lightweight Manual Wheelchair	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Provide backup mobility assistance.	Per Unit \$10,117	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D 1/6/17 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,023		
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WHEELCHAIR MAINTENANCE AND ACCESSORY NEEDS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Power Wheelchair Batteries	Beginning 48 1/2019	1 pr./yr.; excluding year of WC replacement	Maintain power wheelchair.	Per Unit \$945	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$945		
Power Wheelchair Maintenance	Beginning 48 1/2019	1x/yr.; excluding year of WC replacement	Maintain power wheelchair.	Per Unit		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$250 - \$500		
Lightweight Manual Wheelchair Maintenance	Beginning 48 1/2019	1x/yr.; excluding year of WC replacement	Maintain manual wheelchair.	Per Unit		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$150		
Power and manual wheelc Replacement Values in Lif					a, MS. Empirical Validation	of Medical Equipment

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Rojo Quadtro Select Wheelchair Cushion (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/2-3 yrs., excluding year of WC replacement	Provide seating comfort; prevent pressure sores.	Per Unit \$458 ——— Per Year \$305 - \$458	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records \$916/2 cushions	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 1/6/17 Rx
Manual Wheelchair Varilite Icon Back Seating System	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/2-3 yrs., excluding year of WC replacement	Provide seating comfort; prevent pressure sores.	Per Unit \$525 ———— Per Year \$175 - \$263	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 1/6/17 Rx
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Wheelchair Cushion Cover (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Protect wheelchair cushion.	Per Unit \$60 - \$75 ——— Per Year \$120 - \$150	NuMotion: \$120-\$150/2 covers	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Kristen Slide in Base Wheelchair Laptop Tray	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5-10 yrs.	Desktop while in power wheelchair.	Per Unit \$823 ——— Per Year \$82 - \$165	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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Writing Table with Cushion	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Provide cushion for signing paperwork.	Per Unit \$290 - \$294		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$58- \$59		
Overbed Table	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.	Work and eating station while in bed.	Per Unit \$62 - \$149		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$6 - \$15		
Folding Ramp/ Suitcase Ramp - 3 ft	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.	Wheelchair accessibility while visiting or traveling.	Per Unit \$93 - \$185		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$9 - \$19		
Folding Ramp/ Suitcase Ramp - 6 ft	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.	Wheelchair accessibility while visiting or traveling.	Per Unit \$185 - \$360		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$19 - \$6	<u> </u>	

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Wheelchair Backpack	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/1-2 yrs.	Carry personal items.	Per Unit \$45 - \$97		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$23 - \$97		
Long Transfer Board	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Provide transfer safety and ease.	Per Unit \$189 - \$252		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$38 - \$50		
Short Transfer Board	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Provide transfer safety and ease.	Per Unit \$36 - \$99		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$7 - \$20		

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Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5 yrs.	Provide personal hygiene safety and assistance.	Per Unit \$6,063 ——— Per Year \$1,213	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 1/6/17 Rx
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/10 yrs.	Portable/travel shower chair when visiting or traveling.	Per Unit \$7,243 ——— Per Year \$724	NuMotion/Nuprodx Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5 yrs.	Provide seating comfort during bathing.	Per Unit \$209 ———— Per Year \$42	NuProdux	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5-7 yrs.	Provide personal hygiene safety and assistance.	Per Unit \$218 Per Year \$31 - \$44		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
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Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/7 yrs.	Provide sleeping comfort, positioning and transfer assistance.	Per Unit \$6,610 ——— Per Year \$944	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records Includes: Side Rails x 2: \$700 Hospital Bed: \$3,295 Gel mattress: \$2,615	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D. and Heather Horii, PT, DPT at Craig Hospital – 8/21/15 Rx
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/4 yrs.	Provide sleeping comfort, positioning and transfer assistance.	Per Unit \$2,935 Per Year \$734	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D. and Heather Horii, PT, DPT at Craig Hospital – 8/21/15 Rx
			nd Harper, Dana,	MS. Empirical Validation of Ma	edical Equipment
Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Provide positioning assistance.	Per Unit \$213 - \$429 Per Year \$213 - \$429	_	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Brian J. Beatty, D.O. – 5/16/16 Rx
Beginning	1x/day	Provide sleeping comfort.	Per Unit \$9.67		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Electric Bed Maintenance	Beginning 48 1/2019 Ending 77 2047	1x/yr., excluding year of purchase	Maintain hospital bed.	Per Unit Per Year \$661- \$793	Maintenance on equipment begins one year after each new item is purchased.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Invacare Reliant 450 Power Lift	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/10 yrs.	Provide safe and easy transfers.	Per Unit \$3,024 ——— Per Year \$302	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D. and Heather Horii, PT, DPT at Craig Hospital – 8/21/15
Joerns Hoyer Advance 340 Power Hoyer Lift	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/10 yrs.	Provide portable safe and easy transfers while visiting or traveling.	Per Unit \$3,464 ——— Per Year \$346	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D. and Heather Horii, PT, DPT at Craig Hospital – 8/21/15
Wheelchair Lift Scale	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/10 yrs.	Monitor weight.	Per Unit \$743 - \$842 Per Year \$74 - \$84	-	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Frank Livingstone, M.D.

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Lift Slings (4)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending	1x/4 yrs.	Provide safe and easy transfers for home and portable lift equipment.	Per Unit \$281 - \$315 Per Year	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records \$562-\$630/2 slings/lift	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D. and Heather Horii, PT, DPT at Craig Hospital – 8/21/15
	77 2047			\$562 - \$630	\$2,248-\$2,520/4 slings	
Replacement of lifts slings Care Plans. Journal of Life			CP, FVE and Harper, Dana,	MS. Empirical Valida	ttion of Medical Equipment	Replacement Values in Life
Adjustable Height Work Table	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.	Use as a desk and during physical therapy.	Per Unit \$3,159	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$316		
Philips Respironics Non-Invasive Ventilator/ Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) (2 machines)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending	Monthly rental	Provide respiratory assistance; improve oxygenation; provide backup ventilator.	Per Unit \$1,367.86 ————————————————————————————————————	Rental cost obtained from Homelink	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	77 2047			\$16,414		
Philipps CoughAssist T70	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/7-10 yrs.	Assist with coughing mucus.	Per Unit \$7,300		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$730 - \$1,043		

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DeVilbiss Portable Suction Machine	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/2-3 yrs.	Remove excess secretions.	Per Unit \$280 - \$448		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$93 - \$224		
DeVilbiss Portable Suction Machine Maintenance (Rechargeable Battery)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Maintain suction machine.	Per Unit \$43 ———— Per Year \$43		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Oxygen Concentrator	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	Monthly Rental	Oxygen supplementation.	Per Unit \$333.33 ——— Per Year \$4,000	Rental cost obtained from Homelink	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Portable Oxygen Concentrator	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	Monthly Rental	Oxygen supplementation when traveling or visiting.	Per Unit \$52.08 ——— Per Year \$625	Rental cost obtained from Homelink	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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Portable Oxygen Regulator and Bag	Beginning 57 2027	1x/10 yrs. (1-2x/total)	Use with oxygen concentrator.	Per Unit \$110	\$110-\$220/total	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year		
Life Care Solutions Nebulizer	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/3-5 yrs.	Treat respiratory problems.	Per Unit \$60 - \$104		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$12- \$35		
Replacement of Nebulizer Care Plans. Journal of Lij			CP, FVE and Harper, Dana,	MS. Empirical Valido	ation of Medical Equipment	Replacement Values in Life
Sprague Rappaport Stethoscope	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Monitor lung functioning.	Per Unit \$10 - \$16		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2 - \$3		
Blood Pressure Monitor	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Monitor orthostatic hypertension.	Per Unit \$50 - \$90		National Jewish 11/9/15 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$10 - \$18		

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Pulse Oximeter	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Monitor oxygenation.	Per Unit \$102 - \$210		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$20 - \$42		
Disposable Pulse Oximeter Probe	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/mon.	Use with pulse oximeter.	Per Unit \$44.79 - \$107 		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$537 - \$1,284		
Portable Pulse Oximeter	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Monitor oxygenation when visiting or traveling.	Per Unit \$45 - \$200		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$9 - \$40	1	
Transcutaneous Electrical Nerve Stimulation (TENS) Unit	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/3-5 yrs.	Improve abdominal and core strength via electrical stimulation.	Per Unit \$400 - \$499		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Tom Balazy, M.D. – 9/10/15 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$80 - \$166		

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Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/3-5 yrs.	Treat/control pain.	Per Unit \$32 ———— Per Year \$6 - \$11		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1 x only in next 10 yrs.	Assist with ADLs involving left upper extremity.	Per Unit \$4,125 ——— Per Year	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records Cost Includes: - 20" Multi Link - w/ elevation assist - Jaeco/Rancho Mount - Forearm Supp w/ swivel - Mount relocator for keyed back posts - shipping	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047 Beginning 47 1/2018 —— Ending	Age Year Replacement Beginning 47 1/2018 1x/3-5 yrs. Ending 77 2047 1x/3-5 yrs. Beginning 47 1/2018 1 x only in next 10 yrs. Ending 1 x only in next 10 Hending 1 x only in next 10	Age YearReplacementPurposeBeginning 47 1/20181x/3-5 yrs.Treat/control pain.Ending 77 20471x/3-5 yrs.Image: Control pain.Beginning 47 1/20181 x only in next 10 yrs.Assist with ADLs involving left upper extremity.Ending1 x only in next 10 yrs.Assist with ADLs involving left upper extremity.	Age YearReplacementPurposeCostBeginning 47 1/20181x/3-5 yrs.Treat/control pain.Per Unit \$32Ending 77 20471x only in next 10Per Year \$6 - \$11Per Year \$6 - \$11Beginning 47 1/20181 x only in next 10 yrs.Assist with ADLs involving left upper extremity.Per Unit \$4,125Ending1 x only in next 10 yrs.Assist with ADLs involving left upper extremity.Per Year	Age YearReplacementPurposeCostCommentImage: Second

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SUPPLIES

		Frequency/				D 11D	
Item or Service	Age Year	Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By	
Bladder Supplies*	47 1/2018 management. obtained from Ho and various online						
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$2,192 - \$2,959	vendors		
Rusch Belly Bag - Urine C Hollister Large Urinary Le Bard Latex Free Extension McKesson Disposable Urin UroCare Tube Clamp to pr Carex Disposable Urinal to Bardia Foley Catheter Inse McKesson Piston Syringe Statlock Catheter Stabiliza Bard Dispoz-A-Bag - Leg Leg Bag Straps to secure u Kerlix Bandage Roll to cle	ollection Bag for u g Bag for urine col Tubing for urinary nary Drainage Bag event urine leakage drain urine: 4/yea rtion Tray for supr Irrigation Tray to f tion Device Foley 2 Bag with Flip-Flo I rine bag: 1x/month an area around cat	rine collection: 1 bag/ lection: 2 bags/year @ v drainage: 1x/week @ Anti-Reflux Chamber e from bag: 4 clamps/y r @ \$15.88/each = \$64 apubic catheter replace lush catheter with sedi 2-Way securer leg bag Drainage Valve and Ex a @ \$8.21-\$25.30/each heter: 1 roll/week @ \$	\$3.26-\$4.09/each = \$170-\$2 200 mL for nighttime urinary /ear @ \$25.29/each = \$101/yea 4/year ement: 2x/mo. @ \$1.95-\$6.36 ment blockage: 2-3 trays/mor /catheter tube: 1x/week @ \$9 ktension Tubing for urinary da = \$99-\$304/year	a = \$126-\$396/year 13/year 7 drainage: 1x/week a ear 6/each = \$47-\$153/yea ath @ \$2.86/each = \$6 .81/each = \$510/year rainage: 1x/week at \$	ar 59-\$103/year	01/year	

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Bowel Management Supplies*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	Annual	Bowel program care and management.	Per Unit Per Year \$3,280 - \$3,454	* Cost estimates were obtained from Homelink and various online vendors	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
*Bowel management supp	plies and frequencie	s listed below are base	d on Ms. Harper-Wininger's o	current needs and incl	ude:	

Barrier Protectant Cream to prevent/treat skin irritation: \$7.79-\$11.31 @ 1 tube/month = \$93-\$136/year

Odor Antagonist Spray to remove smell from rooms during/after bowel program: 2 bottles/month \$9.83/bottle = \$236/year

Antiseptic No-Rinse Cleaning Foam for perianal care: 2 bottles/month @ \$19.79/bottle = \$475/year

McKesson Underpads 30 x 30 for perianal care and bowel program: 4 pads/day @ \$0.59/pad = \$861/year

Disposable Baby Wipes: 1 container/3 days @ \$2.49-\$3.00/container = \$303-\$365/year

Halyard Purple Nitrile Powder-Free Exam Gloves for perianal care, bowel pogrom, cleaning catheter changing and flushing, etc.: 2 boxes/month @ \$23.53/box = \$565/year Halyard Grey Nitrile Powder-Free Exam Gloves for perianal care, bowel pogrom, cleaning catheter changing and flushing, etc.: 2 boxes/month @ 25.13/box = \$603/year McKesson Lubricating Jelly 3 g packets: 2-3 packets/day @ \$0.19/packet = \$139-\$208/year

Kimberly Clark Scottfold Disposable Towels for bowel program cleanup. 1 case/6 mos. 25 towels/case @ \$2.61/case = \$5/year

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Frequency/ Item or Service Age Year Replacement Purpose Cost Comment **Recommended Bv** Personal Care Beginning Annual Clean, disinfect and Per Unit * Cost estimates were Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP 47 1/2018 Cleaning/Disinfectant/ sanitize skin, medical obtained from Homelink Sanitizing Supplies* and various online equipment and supplies, and other personal items vendors Ending in order to avoid Per Year 2047 77 infections and germs. \$976 - \$1.367 * Personal Care Cleaning/Disinfectant/Sanitizing supplies and frequencies listed below are based on Ms. Harper-Wininger's current needs and include:

McKesson Premium Hand Sanitizer 18 oz - disinfectant, germicide and bactericide: 2 bottles/month @ \$3.95-\$8.85/each = \$95-\$212/year McKesson Antimicrobial Soap 18 oz - disinfectant, germicide and bactericide: 2 bottles/month @ \$3.86-\$6.91/each = \$93-\$166/year Clorox Disinfectant Wipes to clean/disinfect equipment and bathroom area: 2 containers/month @ \$3.50-\$3.66/container = \$84-\$88/year Hydrogen Peroxide Wipes - cleaning solution: 1 box/4 months @ \$2.95-\$5.03/each = \$9-\$15/year McKesson Hydrogen Peroxide 3% 16 oz to clean respiratory equipment and other medical equipment: 1 bottle/month @ \$0.95-\$2.14/each = \$11-\$26/year Alcohol Prep Pads to clean injection sites, catheter tubing connections, equipment, etc.: 1 box/200 pads/month @ \$5.71/box = \$69/year Sharps Container to dispose of medical waste products: 1x/year @ \$3.63-\$3.99/each = \$4/year Ahdesive Remover Wipes to remove TENS unit electrodes: 2 boxes/month at \$4.64-\$11.95/box = \$111-\$287/year Miscellaneous Supplies to include extra bleach, laundry detergent, extra towels and linens, etc.: \$500/year

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Respiratory Supplies*								
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$4,440 - \$5,269	vendors			
*Respiratory supplies and	frequencies listed b	below are based on Ms	. Harper-Wininger's current r	needs and include:				
ResMed Airfit F20 Headg ResMed Airfit F20 Headg Fisher & Paykel Heated W Adult-Pediatric Electrostat Trilogy Oxygen Input Qui <u>Nebulizer</u> Drive Reusable Nebulizer	AirLife Sterile Water for Inhalation: 4 bottles/month @ \$0.11-0.23/each = \$5-\$11/year Fisher & Paykel Humidification Chamber: 1x/month @ \$14.50-\$20/month = \$174-\$240/year ResMed Airfit F20 Headgear: 1 mask/6 months @ \$118-\$149/each = \$236-\$298/year ResMed Airfit F20 Headgear Mask Cushion: 1 cushion/month @ \$31-\$59/each = \$372-\$708/year Fisher & Paykel Heated Wall Reusable Vent Circuit: 1 circuit/month @ \$139.44-\$155.67/each = \$1,673-\$1,868/year Adult-Pediatric Electrostatic Filter HME filter between vent and circuit: 1x/month @ \$129/each = \$1,548/year Trilogy Oxygen Input Quick Connect Inserts. Use with oxygen/vent to connect oxygen to the vent: 1 pkg./year. \$12.20-\$15.39/each = \$12-\$15/year Mebulizer Drive Reusable Nebulizer Kit to use with nebulizer: 2 kits/month @ \$4.45-\$6.99/each = \$107-\$168/year							
Suction Machine Hudson RCI AddiPak Unit Dose Vials – 5 ml Sterile 0.9% NaCL to use with suction bag to irrigate and clean nose: 100 vials/year @ \$0.17/vial = \$17/year MediChoice Suction Yankauer. 2 yankauers/6 months @ \$1.04-\$4.44/each = \$4-\$18/year Disposable Suction Canister, Tubing and Filter for secretion collection. 1/month @ \$17.99- \$25.19/each = \$216-\$302/year								
CoughAssist Hudson Bacterial Wall Fil	ter to keep circuit c	lear of sputum: 24/yea	r @ \$3.17/each = \$76/year					

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Jobst Knee High Compression Stockings	Beginning 47 1/2018	6 pr./yr.	Control lower extremity edema.	Per Unit \$27.99 - \$65.92		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$168 - \$396		
TENS Unit Electrodes (4)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/2 wks.	Maintain TENS unit.	Per Unit \$4.95 - \$15.04	4 electrodes/pack	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Tom Balazy, M.D. – 9/10/15 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$129 - \$391		
TENS Unit Leads	Beginning 47 1/2018	1-2x/yr.	Maintain TENS unit.	Per Unit \$19.95 - \$39.99		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$20 - \$80		
Innovo iSoothe Wireless Rechargeable Electronic Pulse Massager (TENS)	Beginning 47 1/2018	2 pads/yr.	Maintain Innovo TENS unit.	Per Unit \$4.60		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Electrotherapy Device – Pads (2)	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$9		

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ADAPTIVE AIDS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Adaptive Clothing Allowance	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending	Annual	Provide adaptive clothing to improve independent dressing and replace clothes due to wear and tear from the wheelchair.	Per Unit Per Year	VA Special Benefit Allowances Rates: 2016 https://www.benefits.va. gov/COMPENSATION/ special_Benefit_Allowan	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	77 2047			\$777	ces_2016.asp	
Independent Living Aids*	Beginning 47 1/2018	Annual	Improve independence with activities of daily living (ADLs).	Per Unit		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$300 - \$400		
scoop plates and bowls, s	traws, medicine cup	s, Dycem pads/mats, s	tensils, book holder, easy glic pill proof cups, no skid divide nife, combination cutting boa	er plates with suction	base, feeding aprons, univers	sal weighted holder and cuffs,

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ORTHOTICS/SPLINTS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Bilateral Ultra Flex Elbow Wrist Hand Orthosis (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/2-3 yrs.	Provide proper upper extremity positioning; improve independence.	Per Unit \$4,434 ——— Per Year \$2,956 - \$4,434	UltraFlex systems \$8,868/pair	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Craig Hospital – 5/17/16 Maggie McDone, MS, OTR/L
Left Elbow Dynasplint Replacement Pads	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	2x/yr.	Maintain Dynasplint.	Per Unit \$120 ———— Per Year \$240		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Podus Heel Boots (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr.	Provide proper lower extremity positioning; prevent pressure sores.	Per Unit \$118 - \$201 ——— Per Year \$118 - \$201		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Brian J. Beatty, D.O. – 5/16/16 Rx for Roylan Heel Boots

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FUTURE HOSPITALIZATIONS

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Outpatient Hospitalization for Urinary Tract Infections (UTIs)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/2 yrs.	Treat UTIs.	Per Unit \$2,421	\$834/professional fee \$1,587/facility fee \$2,421/visit	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
(0113)	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,211	Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona	
* Estimated facility fees a	re based on 2016 N	Aedicare charges from	the American Hospital	Directory (ahd.com) an	d the average cost from the folle	wing hospitals:
Havasu Regional Medical Kingman Regional Medica						1
Inpatient Hospitalization for UTIs	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/7 yrs. (14 days/hosp'n)	Treat UTIs.	Per Unit \$140,789	\$2,917/professional fee <u>\$137,872/facility fee</u> \$140,789/hosp'n	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$20,113		
Professional fees obtained	from Medical Fee	s 2017 75% adjusted t	o Arizona and based or	the following cpt code	s:	
CPT 99233 Subsequent ho (\$186/average professional CPT 99238 Hospital disch * Estimated facility fees a	ospital care per day ospital care per day ospital care per day 1 fee of 99231, 992 arge day managen	 Pt is stable, recovering Pt is responding inaction Pt is unstable or has 232, 99233) x 12 days ant (30 min./visit): \$1 	lequately to therapy or developed a significant \$2,232 94/day	has developed a minor o complication or a signi	complication (25 min/visit): \$18 ficant new problem. (35 min/vis d the average of the daily rates	it): \$267/day
following hospitals: Havasu Regional Medical Kingman Regional Medica						

Kingman Regional Medical Center: \$26,218/3.54 days = \$7,406/day

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By				
Inpatient Hospitalization for Decubitus Ulcer with Flap	Beginning 47 1/2018	1 x only (60 days/hosp'n)	Treat grade III/IV decubitus ulcer.	Per Unit \$768,613	\$11,473/professional fee <u>\$757,140/facility fee</u> \$768,613/hosp'n	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP				
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year						
CPT 99223 Initial hospital CPT 99231 Subsequent ho CPT 99232 Subsequent ho CPT 99233 Subsequent ho (\$186/average professiona CPT 99238 Hospital disch	Professional fees obtained from Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona and based on the following cpt codes: CPT 99223 Initial hospital care per day: \$491/day CPT 99231 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is stable, recovering or improving (15 min/visit): \$110/day CPT 99232 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is responding inadequately to therapy or has developed a minor complication (25 min/visit): \$182/day CPT 99233 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is unstable or has developed a significant complication or a significant new problem. (35 min/visit): \$267/day (\$186/average professional fee of 99231, 99232, 99233) x 58 days: \$10,788 CPT 99238 Hospital discharge day management (30 min./visit): \$194/day * Estimated facility fees are based on 2016 Medicare charges from the American Hospital Directory (ahd.com) and the average of the daily rates (\$12,619/day) from the following hospitals:									
Banner University Medica Mayo Clinic Hospital Pho										

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By		
Inpatient Hospitalization for Pneumonia with Respiratory Failure	Beginning 55 2025 Ending 77 2047	1x/within 10 yrs.; then 1x/in years 11-17; then 1x/3 yrs. (14 days/hosp'n)	Treat respiratory problems such as pneumonia and respiratory failure.	Per Unit \$125,361 Per Year	\$2,917/professional fee <u>\$122,444/facility fee</u> \$125,361/hosp'n \$125,361/in next 10 yrs.; then \$125,361/in years 11-17; then \$41,787/year to L.E.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP		
Professional fees obtained from Medical Fees 2017 75% adjusted to Arizona and based on the following cpt codes: CPT 99223 Initial hospital care per day: \$491/day CPT 99231 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is stable, recovering or improving (15 min/visit): \$110/day CPT 99232 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is responding inadequately to therapy or has developed a minor complication (25 min/visit): \$182/day CPT 99233 Subsequent hospital care per day. Pt is unstable or has developed a significant complication or a significant new problem. (35 min/visit): \$267/day (\$186/average professional fee of 99231, 99232, 99233) x 12 days: \$2,232 CPT 99238 Hospital discharge day management (30 min./visit): \$194/day * Estimated facility fees are based on 2016 Medicare charges from the American Hospital Directory (ahd.com) and the average of the daily rates (\$8,746/day) from the following hospitals:								

Havasu Regional Medical Center: \$42,851.00/4.75 days = \$9,021/day Kingman Regional Medical Center: \$63,523/7.5 days = \$8,470/day

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HOME CARE

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Attendant*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	24 hrs./day	Provide assistance with activities of daily living including personal care, bathing, laundry, bowel and bladder management, bed mobility, transfers, positioning, grocery shopping, cooking/meal preparation (and clean-up), feeding set-up, transportation (and wait- time) to medical appointments and community outings, running errands, etc.	Per Unit \$20 - \$31 ——— Per Year \$175,200 - \$271,560		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Guidelines, 1999. Table 6	. Expected Function	al Outcomes, Level	C4.			
Attendant*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	2 hrs./day	Provide setup and assistance with transfers onto FES, standing frame and other equipment as needed.	Per Unit \$20 - \$31 ——— Per Year \$14,600 - \$22,630		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Attendant*	47 1/2018 ———— Ending	2 hrs./day	transfers onto FES, standing frame	\$20 - \$31 Per Year		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Attendant* Skilled Nursing - Registered Nurse (RN)*	47 1/2018 ———— Ending	2 hrs./day 1x/day	transfers onto FES, standing frame	\$20 - \$31 Per Year		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Skilled Nursing -	47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047 Beginning		transfers onto FES, standing frame and other equipment as needed. Monitor medical status; bowel program; setup and administer	\$20 - \$31 ————————————————————————————————————		
Skilled Nursing -	47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047 Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending		transfers onto FES, standing frame and other equipment as needed. Monitor medical status; bowel program; setup and administer	\$20 - \$31 ————————————————————————————————————		

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Case Manager	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	8 hrs./mo.	Assist with coordinating medical and rehabilitative care needs; improve access to community resources.	Per Unit \$80 - \$130 ——— Per Year \$7,680 - \$12,480		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Housecleaning	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/wk. (52 wks./yr.)	Provide housecleaning assistance.	Per Unit \$120 - \$140 ——— Per Year \$6,240 - \$7,280	Housecleaning services are based four-bedroom house. Open floor plan. Bathroom accessible to accommodate roll in shower chair.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Interior/Exterior Home	Beginning	2-4 hrs./mo.	Provide interior and exterior home	Per Unit		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Maintenance	47 1/2018	2-4 118./110.	maintenance assistance.	\$73.51		Gleg Viglia, WD, JD, CLCr
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,764 - \$3,528		

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COMMUNICATION/ENTERTAINMENT

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
iPad	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	1x/5 yrs.	Provide portable accessible communication, learning and entertainment.	Per Unit \$780 - \$1,150 ——— Per Year \$156 - \$230		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
iPad Shatterproof Cover	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/2-3 yrs.	Protect iPad.	Per Unit \$50 - \$285 ——— Per Year \$17 - \$143		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
iPad Data Plan	Beginning 47 1/2018 Ending 77 2047	Monthly	Access portable communication, learning and entertainment.	Per Unit \$15 - \$30 Per Year \$180 - \$360		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Dragon Naturally Speaking Software Updates	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	1x/2 yrs.	Update hands-free communication software.	Per Unit \$200 ——— Per Year \$100		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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HEALTH AND STRENGTH MAINTENANCE

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Large Foam Therapeutic Wedge	Beginning 47 1/2018 ————— Ending	1x/10 yrs.	Use with physical therapy for exercise and stretching.	Per Unit \$61 - \$113 	_	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 10/16/16 Rx
	77 2047			\$6 - \$11		
EasyStand Evolv Standing Frame	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5 yrs.	Prevent contractures; improve lower extremity range of motion; stretch	Per Unit \$9,077	NuMotion/United Seating and Mobility Billing Records	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D.
	Ending 77 2047		muscles in les and back; increase postural circulation responses.	Per Year \$1,815		
Standing Frame Maintenance	Beginning 48 1/2019	1x/yr., excluding year of purchase	Maintain standing frame.	Per Unit	Maintenance on equipment begins one year after each new item	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$100 - \$800	is purchased.	
			ni, Irmo, Ph.D., CRC, CLCF 1g, Vo. 4, No. 4, (173-182).	P, FVE and Harper	; Dana, MS. Empirical Validat	ion of Medical Equipment
Hand Skate Roller Exerciser	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/3 yrs.	Improve range of motion in bilateral upper extremities.	Per Unit \$63 - \$138	_	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 10/26/16 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$21 - \$46		

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Adjustable Platform Mat	Beginning 57 2027	1x/10 yrs. (1-2 x only)	Provide safe area for stretching, ROM and therapy.	Per Unit \$3,793 - \$7,517 	\$3,739 - \$15,034/total	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP E. Franklin Livingstone, M.D. – 9/28/16 Rx
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year		
Mat Platform Replacement Mat	Beginning 52 2022	1x/5 yrs.; excluding years of adjustable platform mat	Replace mat platform.	Per Unit \$523 - \$749		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047	replacement		Per Year \$105 - \$150		
Head Float	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/2-3 yrs.	Aid pool therapy and recreation.	Per Unit \$89 - \$113		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$30 - \$57		
Sectional Raft	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/3 yrs.	Aid pool therapy and recreation.	Per Unit \$261		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$87		

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47 1/2018 swimming pool. \$7,639 - \$7,925 Per Year Power Pool Lift Slings Beginning 1x/2 yrs. Transfer assistance into swimming pool. Per Unit \$304-\$996/2 slings Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CI Power Pool Lift Slings 47 1/2018 Transfer assistance into swimming pool. Per Unit \$152 - \$498 \$304-\$996/2 slings Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CI RT300-SLSA Functional [Electrical Stimulation (FES) Bicycle Beginning 1x/7-10 yrs. Prevent disuse atrophy; maintain upper and lower extremity range of motion; improve lower extremity reculation; provide aerobic exercise. Per Vaar \$22,680 - \$4,054 Thomas Balazy, MD, HD, CI * Estimated cost includes delivery, setup, training and electrodes. Initially received 8/28/15 Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CI FES Electrodes Beginning 1x/yr; excluding yrc; excludi	Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
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Electrical Stimulation (FES) Bicycle 47 1/2018 maintain upper and lower extremity range of motion; improve lower extremity circulation; provide aerobic exercise. \$22,680 - \$28,380 from Restorative Therapies Thomas Balazy, M.D., Heather Horri, DPT and Abby Schilz, MPT, at Cr Hospital – 8/14/15 Rx • • • • • • • * Estimated cost includes delivery, setup, training and electrodes. • • • • FES Electrodes Beginning 48 1/2019 (Yer; excluding year of FES replacement Utilize FES bicycle. Per Unit Initially received 8/28/15 from Restorative Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CI Thomas Balazy, M.D., Heather Horri, DPT and Abby Schilz, MPT, at Cr FES Electrodes Beginning 48 1/2019 (Per Year Initially received 8/28/15 from Restorative Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CI Thomas Balazy, M.D., Heather Horri, DPT and Abby Schilz, MPT, at Cr							
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48 1/2019 year of FES from Restorative replacement replacement Thomas Balazy, M.D., Ending Per Year Abby Schilz, MPT, at Cr	* Estimated cost includes	delivery, setup, trai	ning and electrodes.				
Ending Per Year Abby Schilz, MPT, at Cr	FES Electrodes		year of FES	Utilize FES bicycle.	Per Unit	from Restorative	
							Abby Schilz, MPT, at Craig

Growth Trend to Be Determined by Economist.

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
FES Replacement Stimulation Cable (2)	Beginning 48 1/2019 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/2-4 yrs.	Maintain FES bicycle.	Per Unit \$390 ——— Per Year \$195 - \$390	Initially received 8/28/15 from Restorative Therapies \$780/pr.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Thomas Balazy, M.D., Heather Horri, DPT and Abby Schilz, MPT, at Craig Hospital – 8/14/15 Rx
Bioness H200 Wireless (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/3-5 yrs.	Therapeutic electrical nerve stimulation to improve strength, function, range of motion and endurance in bilateral hands/fingers and forearms.	Per Unit \$7,900 ——— Per Year \$1,580 - \$2,633		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Bioness Electrodes (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	2 sets/2 wks. (52 sets/yr.)	Maintain bilateral Bioness units.	Per Unit \$35 ——— Per Year \$1,820	6 pads/set	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
Bioness Battery Replacement (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	2 batteries/2 yrs.	Maintain bilateral Bioness units.	Per Unit \$250 ——— Per Year \$250	\$500/2 batteries	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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RECREATIONAL*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Action Trackchair	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.	Access property and uneven terrain; aid in camping and fishing activity.	Per Unit \$11,300 - \$14,125		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$1,130 - \$1,413		
TrackChair Rechargeable Batteries (2)	Beginning 57 2027	1x/10 yrs.; excluding year of trackchair	Maintain trackchair.	Per Unit \$100	\$200/2 batteries \$200-\$400/total	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047	replacement (1-2 x only)		Per Year		
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TRANSPORTATION

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Wheelchair Accessible 4-Wheel Drive Van	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/5-7 yrs.	Accessible transportation.	Per Unit \$85,431 ———— Per Year \$12,204 - \$17,086	Mercedes-Benz of Littleton 3/29/16 Invoice: \$71,464/van; plus Performance Mobility 5/23/16 Invoice: \$13,967/Modifications	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	of the van. Source: No	tional Automobile L	ion purposes, the average cos Dealers Association. NADAD 7506			017 dollars). This should be
Wheelchair Accessible Van Equipment Maintenance	Beginning 48 1/2019 ——— Ending 77 2047	2x/yr.; excluding year of van replacement	Maintain wheelchair accessible van.	Per Unit Per Year \$200 - \$400	Maintenance on equipment begins one year after each new item is purchased.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By			
Travel to Englewood, Colorado*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ————— Ending 77 2047	1x/yr. (7 days/visit; plus 2 days of travel)	Reimburse travel to Craig Hospital in Englewood, CO for comprehensive rehabilitation re-evaluations.	Per Unit \$3,254 ————————————————————————————————————		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP			
\$238/lodging (2 nights in \$739/lodging (7 nights in	Cost estimate includes: \$1,055/mileage (1,936 miles/R.T. x \$0.545) \$238/lodging (2 nights in Sante Fe, NM (half way to Englewood) \$739/lodging (7 nights in Craig Hospital apartments) \$1,222/meals and incidentals (9 days for 2 people)								
Craig Hospital: \$105.50/n Irs.gov: \$0.545/mi. x 1,93 Gsa.gov: - \$64/day meals and incid - \$69/day meals and incid - \$119/lodging per night	6 mi. R.T. = \$1,055 dentals in Sante Fe, N dentals in Englewood,	, CO (7 days x 2 peo							

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Travel to Phoenix, Arizona	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	3-4x/yr. (2 days/trip)	Reimburse travel to Phoenix, AZ to meet with NuMotion or various physician specialists at Barrows Institute.	Per Unit \$576 ——— Per Year \$1,728 - \$2,304		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
\$216/mileage (396 mi./R.' \$124/lodging (1 night) <u>\$236/meals and incidental</u> \$576/trip		<u>)</u>				
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HOME MODIFICATIONS*

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Home Modifications*	Beginning 47 1/2018	2 x only	Provide improved safety and mobility within the home.	Per Unit \$81,080	\$162,160/total	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year		
accessible kitchen, hallwa such home modifications, amounts are set by law, bu 2018 is \$81,080. http://ww	ys, and bedrooms; sid we are utilizing the D at may be adjusted up w.benefits.va.gov/ho	lewalk accessibility (Department of Vetera ward annually based omeloans/adaptedhou		opener; air conditionin anty Service as a stand lex. The maximum do modification needs v	ng, etc. Absent a contractor e dard. The Specially Adapted ollar amount allowable for th vill easily exceed the maxim	stimate regarding the cost for Housing (SAH) grant benefit e SAH grant in fiscal year
Guldmann Ceiling Lift System*	Beginning 47 1/2018 ——— Ending 77 2047	1x/7 yrs.	Provide safe and easy transfers in bedroom and bathroom areas.	Per Unit \$6,000 - \$15,000 Per Year \$857 - \$2,143		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
price is estimated as the ac	ctual cost will depend Cost <i>Source: Marini,</i>	on the size of the ho Irmo, Ph.D., CRC, O				rhead tracking system. The nt Replacement Values in Life

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HOME MODIFICATIONS - CONTINUED

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
Ceiling Lift Slings (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018 ————————————————————————————————————	1x/2-3 yrs.	Transfer safety and ease.	Per Unit \$325 Per Year	\$650/2 slings	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	77 2047			\$217 - \$325		
Ceiling Lift Batteries (2)	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/5-7 yrs.	Maintain ceiling lift.	Per Unit \$150	\$300/2 batteries	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047			Per Year \$43 - \$60		
60 Hx Air-Cooled Generac Generator	Beginning 57 2027	1x/10 yrs. (1-2 x only)	Whole-house backup generator; keep A/C running during power	Per Unit \$2,890	Purchased 10/2016 from McAtlin Electric Corp	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP Brian J. Beatty, D.O. – 8/25/16 Rx
	Ending 77 2047		outages.	Per Year	\$2,890-\$5,780/total	
Generac Generator 10-year Warranty	Beginning 47 1/2018	1x/10 yrs.; excluding year of generator	Maintain generator.	Per Unit \$995 	\$995/10 yrs.	Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP
	Ending 77 2047	replacement		Per Year \$100		

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HOME MODIFICATIONS - CONTINUED

Item or Service	Age Year	Frequency/ Replacement	Purpose	Cost	Comment	Recommended By
200 Gallon Propane Tank	Beginning 47 1/2018 ———— Ending 77 2047	1 tank/2 yrs.	Used to operate generator.	Per Unit \$430 - \$498 ——— Per Year \$215 - \$249		Greg Vigna, MD, JD, CLCP

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COMPLICATIONS

Secondary To	Length of Risk	Surgery	Hospitalization	Possible Outcome from Complications
Physical stasis; impaired mobility	Lifetime	Probable	Probable	Increased medical care, medication and diagnostic study needs; nonhealing wounds; infections; surgical debridement; grafting; decreased functioning; sepsis.
Impaired mobility	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Pain; fractures; decreased ROM; contractures; increased medical care, medication and diagnostic study needs; decreased functioning; nonhealing fractures; surgical intervention.
SCI	Lifetime	Probable	Probable	Increased medical care, therapy, medication, laboratory and diagnostic study needs; tracheostomy; hospitalization.
Impaired mobility	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Pain; fractures/musculoskeletal injuries; increased medical care, therapy, medication and diagnostic study needs; further brain injury; decreased functioning and mobility; surgical intervention.
Falls	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Pain; increased medical care, therapy, medication and diagnostic study needs; decreased functioning and mobility; nonhealing fractures; surgical intervention.
Overuse	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Increase pain; increased medical care, evaluations, therapy, medication and diagnostic study needs; decreased functioning, mobility and independence; surgical intervention.
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Complication	Secondary To	Length of Risk	Surgery	Hospitalization	Possible Outcome from Complications
Chronic Neck and Bilateral Upper Extremity Pain and Other Problems	SCI	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Increase pain; increased medical care, evaluations, therapy, medication and diagnostic study needs; decreased functioning, mobility and independence; surgical intervention.
Bladder and Kidney Stones	Medical condition	Lifetime	Possible	Probable	Pain; increased medical care, therapy, medication, laboratory and diagnostic study needs; surgical intervention; hospitalization.
Chronic UTIs/Urosepsis	Neurogenic bladder	Lifetime	Probable	Probable	Increased medical care, medication, laboratory and diagnostic study needs; decreased functioning and independence; kidney damage; renal failure; hospitalization.
Deep Vein Thrombosis (DVT)	Impaired mobility	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Increased medical care, laboratory and diagnostic study needs long-term anticoagulation therapy; emboli; impaired pulmonary function; stroke; hospitalization.
Depression	SCI and related functional limitations	Lifetime	Possible	Possible	Anger; sadness; withdrawal from family and friends; loss of coping skills; increased counseling and medication needs; decreased functioning; hospitalization.

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FORMUZIS, HUNT & LANNING, INC. SUMMARY OF THE ANALYSIS ECONOMIC LOSSES SUSTAINED BY DARIA HARPER

PRESENT VALUES

I. LOSS OF EARNING CAPACITY

A. PAST LOSS	(06/09/2015 - 03/31/2018)	
1. UNIMPAIRED EARNING CAPACITY		\$51,673
B. FUTURE LOSS	(04/01/2018 - 08/31/2053)	
1. UNIMPAIRED EARNING CAPACITY		\$270,906
C. TOTAL LOSS (PAST AND FUTURE)		\$322,579
II. FUTURE MEDICAL CARE COSTS	(04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047)	\$14,282,286
III. TOTAL ECONOMIC LOSS (PAST AND FUTURE)		\$14,604,865

SUMMARY OF THE ANALYSIS ECONOMIC LOSSES SUSTAINED BY DARIA HARPER

PRESENT VALUE START DATE		04/01/2018
DATE OF BIRTH		06/09/1970
DATE OF INJURY		06/08/2015
AGE AT DATE OF INJURY	45.0 YEARS	
CURRENT AGE	47.8 YEARS	
EDUCATION LEVEL	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE	
RETIREMENT DATA	61.6 ¹ YEARS IN 62.4 ² YEARS IN 67.0 ³ YEARS IN	12/31/2031 10/31/2032 05/31/2037
PROJECTED RETIREMENT AGE REMAINING YEARS TO RETIREMENT	63.7 YEARS IN 15.9 YEARS	02/28/2034
AGE AT NORMAL LIFE EXPECTANCY (FEMALE) YEARS TO NORMAL LIFE EXPECTANCY	83.2 ⁴ YEARS IN 35.4 YEARS	08/31/2053
AGE AT REDUCED LIFE EXPECTANCY YEARS TO REDUCED LIFE EXPECTANCY	77.0 ⁵ YEARS IN 29.2 YEARS	06/30/2047

FOOTNOTES:

- ¹ HUNT, PICKERSGILL AND RUTEMILLER, "RECENT TRENDS IN MEDIAN YEARS TO RETIREMENT AND WORKLIFE EXPECTANCY FOR THE CIVILIAN U.S. POPULATION," JOURNAL OF FORENSIC ECONOMICS, VOLUME XIV, NUMBER 3, FALL 2001.
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- 3 MERCER HUMAN RESOURCE CONSULTING, INC., "2017 GUIDE TO SOCIAL SECURITY AND MEDICARE."
- ⁴ U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NATIONAL CENTER FOR HEALTH STATISTICS, "NATIONAL VITAL STATISTICS REPORTS," UNITED STATES LIFE TABLES, 2014.
- ⁵ PER THE REPORT OF DR. VIGNA.

DATE OF INJURY: 06/08/2015

EARNINGS HISTORY:

YEAR	EARNINGS	SOURCE	EMPLOYER
2006	\$24,812	W-2	ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF HAVASU
2007	\$26,268	W-2	ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF HAVASU
2008	\$30,163	W-2	ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF HAVASU
2009	\$24,771	W-2	ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF HAVASU
2010	\$14,545	W-2	ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF HAVASU
2011	\$0		
2012	\$0		
2013	\$18,000	CHECK	CARETAKER TO GRANDMOTHER
2014	\$25,000	CHECK	CARETAKER TO GRANDMOTHER
2015	\$10,354	W-2	ISLANDER RV RESORT
AVERAGE:	\$18,462	(9.42 YEARS)	
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MS. HARPER'S UNIMPAIRED EARNING CAPACITY WAS CALCULATED USING \$18,400, AN AVERAGE OF HER AVAILABLE HISTORICAL EARNINGS.

1. PAST UNIMPAIRED EARNINGS

TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL EARNINGS	NUMBER OF MONTHS	TOTAL EARNINGS
06/09/2015 - 03/31/2018	\$18,400	33.7	\$51,673
		33.7	\$51,673

2. PRESENT VALUE OF THE FUTURE UNIMPAIRED EARNING CAPACITY

NET DISCOUNT RATE:	1.0% ¹
NUMBER OF MONTHS:	191
TIME PERIOD	
04/01/2018 - 02/28/2034	

ANNUAL	MONTHLY
EARNINGS	EARNINGS
\$18,400	\$1,533

PRESENT VALUE: \$270,906

FOOTNOTE:

¹ THE NET DISCOUNT RATE IS THE ANTICIPATED SPREAD BETWEEN THE RATE OF RETURN ON INVESTMENTS AND THE RATE OF INCREASE IN COMPENSATION. THE RATE OF RETURN ON INVESTMENTS IS BASED UPON A MIX OF SHORT AND MEDIUM-TERM U.S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. RATES OF RETURN ARE REPORTED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM. COMPENSATION GROWTH IS BASED ON THE HOURLY COMPENSATION SERIES PUBLISHED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT OF DR. GREG VIGNA, DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2018, THE FOLLOWING CARE COSTS WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE FUTURE.

THE PRESENT VALUES OF THE FUTURE CARE COSTS ARE CALCULATED USING NET DISCOUNT RATES BETWEEN 0.0 AND 2.0 PERCENT.¹

DESCRIPTION	NET ISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
1. COMPREHENSIVE REHABILI	TATION RE- 1.0%	-EVALUATION AT CRAIG HOSI 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	PITAL \$13,500	\$342,745
2. SPINAL CORD INJURY SPEC	IALIST 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$150	3,808
3. NURSE PRACTITIONER CON	SULTATION 1.0%	N 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$350	8,886
4. NUTRITIONAL EVALUATION	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$272	6,906
5. PHYSICAL THERAPY EVALU	ATION 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$171	4,341
6. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY E	VALUATION 1.0%	N 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$165	4,189
7. BOTOX INJECTIONS	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$25,136	638,166
8. PHYSICAL THERAPY	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,336	84,696
9. OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,156	80,126
10. RESPIRATORY THERAPY	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$8,164	207,272
11. LYMPHEDEMA MANAGEMEN	T 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,264	82,868
12. NEUROMUSCULAR MASSAG	E 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,400	60,932
13. PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSEL	-	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 07/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$7,128 \$2,376	7,128 59,730
14. SEXUAL THERAPY	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2028	\$398	3,790
15. FAMILY COUNSELING AND E	DUCATION			
	1.0%	DNE TIME COST 04/01/2018 07/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 DNE TIME COST 04/01/2023	\$2,388 \$2,388 \$2,388	2,388 60,031
16. PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$380	9,648

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DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
17. PHYSICAL MEDICINE AND R	EHABILITAT 1.0%	ION SPECIALIST 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$760	\$19,295
18. NEUROLOGIST	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$190	4,824
19. NEUROSURGEON	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$730	18,534
20. PULMONOLOGIST	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$570	14,471
21. PAIN MANAGEMENT SPECIA	LIST 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$760	19,295
22. COLORECTAL SURGEON	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$190	4,824
23. NEURO-UROLOGIST	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$760	19,295
24. PODIATRIST	1.0% 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2019 04/01/2019 - 06/30/2047	\$728 \$650	725 15,856
25. CRANBERRY EXTRACT GEL	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$46	1,022
26. DULCOLAX SUPPOSITORY	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$387	8,599
27. MOVANTIK	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$4,955	125,800
28. ZOFRAN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$648	16,452
29. LACTULOSE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$648	16,452
30. MIRALAX	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$319	7,088
31. FLOVENT INHALER	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,157	80,152
32. VENTOLIN INHALER	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$1,643	41,713
33. ALBUTEROL	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$767	19,473
34. ACETYLCYSTEINE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$114	2,894
35. OXYCONTIN 15MG	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$1,958	49,711

DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
36. OXYCONTIN 10MG	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,787	\$70,758
37. NEURONTIN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,677	67,965
38. SUMATRIPTAN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,290	58,140
39. VOLTAREN GEL	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$646	16,401
40. ATIVAN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$1,374	34,884
41. ELAVIL	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$498	12,643
42. BACLOFEN	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$785	19,930
43. LASIX	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$159	4,037
44. MIDODRINE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$482	12,237
45. PRENATAL MULTIVITAMIN	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$150	3,333
46. FLUCANAZOLE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$179	4,545
47. BENADRYL	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$116	2,578
48. REFRESH EYEDROPS	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$355	7,888
49. B6 VITAMIN	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$29	644
50. IRON	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$24	533
51. MAGNESIUM OXIDE	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$70	1,555
52. VITAMIN D3	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$33	733
53. VITAMIN C	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$33	733
54. HEMORRHOID CREAM	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$170	3,778

DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
55. BACTRIM DS	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$7	\$178
56. LEVAQUIN	1.0%	04/01/2019 - 06/30/2047	\$12	293
57. INFLUENZA VACCINE	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$39	867
58. PNEUMOCOCCAL VACCI	NE 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$23	584
59. COMPLETE BLOOD COUN	NT 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$64	1,625
60. COMPREHENSIVE METAE	BOLIC PANEL 1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$96	2,437
61. URINALYSIS WITH CULTU	JRE AND SENS 1.0%	SITIVITY 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$60	1,523
62. DRUG TESTING	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$596	15,132
63. RENAL SCAN PROFESSIONAL FEE				
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$132 \$438	3,351 12,812
64. RENAL ULTRASOUND PROFESSIONAL FEE				
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$178 \$455	4,519 13,309
65. CERVICAL MRI PROFESSIONAL FEE				
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$363 \$1,840	9,216 53,820
66. CHEST X-RAY PROFESSIONAL FEE				
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$49 \$118	1,244 3,452
67. ECHOCARDIOGRAM PROFESSIONAL FEE	4.00/	04/04/0040 00/00/0047	\$ 04	4 005
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$64 \$207	1,625 6,055
68. PULMONARY FUNCTION PROFESSIONAL FEE		04/04/2049 00/2047	¢00	0.005
FACILITY FEE	1.0% 0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$90 \$349	2,285 10,208
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DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
69. SLEEP STUDY WITH TIT PROFESSIONAL FEE	RATION			
FACILITY FEE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$564	\$14,319
	0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,887	84,445
70. VENOUS DOPPLER PROFESSIONAL FEE				
FACILITY FEE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$149	3,783
	0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$661	19,334
71. PERMOBIL F5 CORPUS	POWER WHEEL 2.0%	LCHAIR 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$10,614	235,852
72. TILITE AERO Z LIGHTWE	EIGHT MANUAL 2.0%	WHEELCHAIR 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,023	44,953
73. POWER WHEELCHAIR E	ATTERIES 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$756	16,799
74. POWER WHEELCHAIR N	AINTENANCE 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$300	6,666
75. LIGHTWEIGHT MANUAL	WHEELCHAIR 2.0%	MAINTENANCE 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$120	2,667
76. ROJO QUADTRO SELEC	T WHEELCHAIF 2.0%	R CUSHION 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$305	6,777
77. MANUAL WHEELCHAIR	VARILITE ICON 2.0%	BACK SEATING SYSTEM 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$175	3,889
78. WHEELCHAIR CUSHION	COVER 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$135	3,000
79. KRISTEN SLIDE IN BASE		LAPTOP TRAY ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$823	823
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 10/01/2025	\$823	709
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2033 ONE TIME COST 10/01/2040	\$823 \$823	611 527
80. WRITING TABLE WITH C	USHION 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$58	1,289
81. OVERBED TABLE				
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$106	106
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$106 \$106	87 71
82. FOLDING RAMP / SUITC				
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028	\$139 \$139	139 114
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$139	94
83. FOLDING RAMP / SUITC			* - - -	
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028	\$273 \$273	273 224
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$273	184
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	NET DISCOUNT	-		ANNUAL	PRESENT
DESCRIPTION	RATE	TIME PE	RIOD	AMOUNT	VALUE
84. WHEELCHAIR BACKPACK	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$60	\$1,333
85. LONG TRANSFER BOARD	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$44	978
86. SHORT TRANSFER BOAR	D 2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$14	311
87. RAZ SHOWER COMMODE	CHAIR WIT 2.0%	H CUSTOM SEAT F 04/01/2018 -		\$1,213	26,954
88. PORTABLE SHOWER CHA	AIR SYSTEM	MULTICHAIR 6000	TX TILT		
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST ONE TIME COST	04/01/2028	\$7,243 \$7,243	7,243 5,941
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2038	\$7,243	4,874
89. MULTICHAIR 6000 TX CUS	SHION				
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$42	933
90. ADJUSTABLE SLIDE BAR	/ SHOWER F	IFAD			
	, on one net let	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2018	\$218	218
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2024	\$218	194
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2030	\$218	172
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$218	153
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2042	\$218	136
91. FLEX-A-BED HI-LOW FULL		CHOSPITAL BED			
		ONE TIME COST	04/01/2018	\$6,610	6,610
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$6,610	5,754
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2032	\$6,610	5,009
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2039	\$6,610	4,361
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2046	\$6,610	3,797
92. VOLKNER EUROPA 1 MAT	TRESS				
32. VOERNER EUROFATIMAT	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$734	16,310
93. PREVALON TURN AND PC	DSITION SYS 2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$321	7,133
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94. PREVALON TURNING SYS	STEM MICRO 2.0%	04/01/2018 -		\$3,530	78,440
95. ELECTRIC BED MAINTEN	ANCE				
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$623	13,844
96. INVACARE RELIANT 450 F					
		ONE TIME COST	04/01/2018	\$3,024	3,024
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$3,024	2,481
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST	04/01/2038	\$3,024	2,035
97. JOERNS HOYER ADVANC					
ST. JOENING HOTER ADVANC		ONE TIME COST	04/01/2018	\$3,464	3,464
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$3,464	2,842
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$3,464	2,331
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DESCRIPTION	RATE		RIOD	AMOUNT	VALUE
98. WHEELCHAIR LIFT SCALE	E				
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$793 \$793	\$793 651
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$793	534
99. LIFT SLINGS					
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$596	13,244
100. ADJUSTABLE HEIGHT WC	RK TABLE				
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$3,159 \$3,159	3,159 2,591
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$3,159	2,126
101. PHILIPS RESPIRONICS NO	ON-INVASIVE	E VENTILATOR / C	ONTINUOUS	POSITIVE AIRWAY F	PRESSURE
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$16,414	364,733
102. PHILIPS COUGHASSIST					
	0.00/	ONE TIME COST		\$7,300	7,300
	2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$7,300 \$7,300	6,169 5,213
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$7,300	4,405
103. DEVILBISS PORTABLE SU	ICTION MAC	HINE			
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$159	3,533
104. DEVILBISS PORTABLE SU	ICTION MAC	HINE MAINTENAN	CE		
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$43	955
105. OXYGEN CONCENTRATO					
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$4,000	88,883
106. PORTABLE OXYGEN CON			00/00/00 47	\$ 005	40.000
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$625	13,888
107. PORTABLE OXYGEN REG		D BAG ONE TIME COST	04/04/2020	¢110	00
	2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST		\$110 \$110	90 74
108. LIFE CARE SOLUTIONS N					
100. EII E CARE SOLUTIONS N	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$23	511
109. SPRAGUE RAPPAPORT S	TETHOSCOF	PE			
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$3	67
110. BLOOD PRESSURE MONI	TOR				
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$14	311
111. PULSE OXIMETER					
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$31	689
112. DISPOSABLE PULSE OXIN		3E			
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$911	20,243
113. PORTABLE PULSE OXIME	TER				
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$25	556
114. TRANSCUTANEOUS ELEC	-		-		
	2.0%	04/01/2018 -	06/30/2047	\$123	2,733
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DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	TIME PERIOD	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
115. INNOVO ISOOTHE WIRE	LESS RECHARO 2.0%	GEABLE ELECTRONIC PULSI 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	E MASSAGER ELECTI \$9	ROTHERAPY DEVICE \$200
116. JAECO MULTILINK MOBI		RT / MECHANICAL ARM DNE TIME COST 04/01/2028	\$4,125	3,384
117. BLADDER SUPPLIES	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,576	57,241
118. BOWEL MANAGEMENT S	SUPPLIES 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,367	74,818
119. PERSONAL CARE CLEAN	NING / DISINFEC 2.0%	CTANT / SANITIZING SUPPLIE 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	ES \$1,172	26,043
120. RESPIRATORY SUPPLIE	S 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$4,855	107,882
121. JOBST KNEE HIGH COM	PRESSION STO 2.0%	CKINGS 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$282	6,266
122. TENS UNIT ELECTRODE	S 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$260	5,777
123. TENS UNIT LEADS	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$50	1,111
124. INNOVO ISOOTHE WIRE	LESS RECHARC 2.0%	GEABLE ELECTRONIC PULSI 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	E MASSAGER ELECTI \$9	ROTHERAPY DEVICE PADS 200
125. ADAPTIVE CLOTHING AL	LOWANCE 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$777	17,266
126. INDEPENDENT LIVING A	IDS 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$350	7,777
127. BILATERAL ULTRA FLEX	ELBOW WRIST 2.0%	HAND ORTHOSIS 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,695	82,106
128. LEFT ELBOW DYNASPLI	NT REPLACEME 2.0%	ENT PADS 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$240	5,333
129. PODUS HEEL BOOTS	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$160	3,555
130. OUTPATIENT HOSPITALI PROFESSIONAL FEE	ZATION FOR UI	RINARY TRACT INFECTIONS		
FACILITY FEE	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$417	10,587
	0.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$794	23,225

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131. INPATIENT HOSPITALIZAT PROFESSIONAL FEE	TION FOR U	TIS		
FROFESSIONAL FEE		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$2,917	\$2,917
	1.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2025	\$2,917	2,721
	1.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032	\$2,917	2,538
	1.0% 1.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2039 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	\$2,917 \$2,917	2,367 2,208
FACILITY FEE	1.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2048	φ2,917	2,200
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$137,872	137,872
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2025	\$137,872	137,872
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032	\$137,872	137,872
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2039 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	\$137,872 \$137,872	137,872
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	\$137,872	137,872
132. INPATIENT HOSPITALIZAT PROFESSIONAL FEE	TION FOR DI	ECUBITUS ULCER WITH FLAP		
	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2028	\$1,147	10,922
FACILITY FEE			•··	
	0.0%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2028	\$75,714	757,140
133. INPATIENT HOSPITALIZAT PROFESSIONAL FEE	TION FOR PI	NEUMONIA WITH RESPIRATORY	FAILURE	
	1.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2030	\$2,917	2,584
	1.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2039	\$2,917	2,363
	1.0%	06/01/2039 - 06/30/2047	\$972	6,118
FACILITY FEE				
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2030	\$122,444	122,444
	0.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2039	\$122,444	122,444
	0.0%	06/01/2039 - 06/30/2047	\$40,815	329,921
134. ATTENDANT				
	1.5%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$223,380	5,300,296
	1.5%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$18,615	441,691
OFFSET 24 HRS / DAY				
0113E12411137 DA1		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	(\$8,568)	(8,568)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2025	(\$8,568)	(7,720)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032	(\$8,568)	(6,956)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2039	(\$8,568)	(6,267)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	(\$8,568)	(5,647)
	1.5% 1.5%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2028 ONE TIME COST 06/01/2030	(\$3,672) (\$8,568)	(34,138) (7,148)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2030	(\$8,568)	(6,252)
	1.5%	06/01/2039 - 06/30/2047	(\$2,856)	(15,881)
OFFSET 2 HRS / DAY				
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	(\$714)	(714)
	1.5% 1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2025 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032	(\$714) (\$714)	(643)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2039	(\$714)	(580) (522)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	(\$714)	(471)
	1.5%	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2028	(\$306)	(2,845)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2030	(\$714)	(596)
	1.5%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2039	(\$714) (\$228)	(521)
	1.5%	06/01/2039 - 06/30/2047	(\$238)	(1,323)

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135. SKILLED NURSING - REGISTERED NURSE				
OFFSET	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$40,150	\$1,019,350
UFFSEI	1.0% 1.0% 1.0% 1.0% 1.0% 1.0% 1.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01 04/01/2018 - 03/31 ONE TIME COST 06/01 ONE TIME COST 06/01 06/01/2039 - 06/30	/2025 (\$1,540) /2032 (\$1,540) /2039 (\$1,540) /2046 (\$1,540) /2028 (\$660) /2030 (\$1,540) /2039 (\$1,540) /2028 (\$660) /2030 (\$1,540) /2039 (\$1,540)	(1,436) (1,340) (1,250) (1,166) (6,285) (1,364) (1,248)
136. CASE MANAGER	1.09/	04/01/2018 06/20	/2047 \$40.000	255.010
	1.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$10,080	255,916
137. HOUSECLEANING	1.5%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$6,760	160,399
138. INTERIOR / EXTERIOR HO	OME MAINTE 1.5%	NANCE 04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$2,646	62,784
139. IPAD	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$193	4,289
140. IPAD SHATTERPROOF C	OVER 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$80	1,778
141. IPAD DATA PLAN	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$270	6,000
142. DRAGON NATURALLY SF	PEAKING SOI 2.0%	TWARE UPDATES 04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$100	2,222
143. LARGE FOAM THERAPEUTIC WEDGE ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 \$87 87				87
	2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01 ONE TIME COST 04/01	/2028 \$87	71 59
144. EASTSTAND EVOLV STANDING FRAME 2.0% 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047 \$1,815 40,331				
145. STANDING FRAME MAINT	TENANCE 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$360	8,000
146. HAND SKATE ROLLER EX	KERCISER 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$34	756
147. ADJUSTABLE PLATFORM	1 MAT 2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01 ONE TIME COST 06/01		4,716 3,869
148. MAT PLATFORM REPLAC	EMENT MAT 2.0%	06/01/2022 - 06/30	/2047 \$127	2,314
149. HEAD FLOAT	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30	/2047 \$43	955

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DESCRIPTION	NET DISCOUNT RATE	Г	ANNUAL AMOUNT	PRESENT VALUE
150. SECTIONAL RAFT	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$87	\$1,933
151. POWER POOL LIFT	2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$7,782 \$7,782 \$7,782	7,782 6,384 5,237
152. POWER POOL LIFT SLING	S 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$325	7,222
153. RT300-SLSA FUNCTIONAL	ELECTRIC/ 2.0% 2.0% 2.0%	AL STIMULATION ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 10/01/2026 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2035 ONE TIME COST 10/01/2043	\$25,530 \$25,530 \$25,530 \$25,530	25,530 21,574 18,233 15,407
154. FES ELECTRODES	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$618	13,732
155. FES REPLACEMENT STIMU	JLATION CA 2.0%	ABLE 04/01/2019 - 06/30/2047	\$293	6,220
156. BIONESS H200 WIRELESS	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,107	46,819
157. BIONESS ELECTRODES	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$1,820	40,442
158. BIONESS BATTERY REPLA	CEMENT 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$250	5,555
159. ACTION TRACKER	2.0% 2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$12,713 \$12,713 \$12,713	12,713 10,429 8,555
160. TRACKCHAIR RECHARGE	ABLE BATTI 2.0% 2.0%	ERIES ONE TIME COST 06/01/2027 ONE TIME COST 06/01/2037	\$200 \$200	167 137
161. WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBL	E 4-WHEEL 2.0% 2.0% 2.0% 2.0%	DRIVE VAN ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2024 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2030 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2036 ONE TIME COST 04/01/2042	\$51,209 \$51,209 \$51,209 \$51,209 \$51,209	51,209 45,470 40,378 35,853 31,838
162. WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBL	E VAN EQU 2.0%	IPMENT MAINTENANCE 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$250	5,555
163. TRAVEL TO ENGLEWOOD,	COLORAD 2.0%	O 04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$3,254	72,307
164. TRAVEL TO PHOENIX, ARIZ	ZONA 2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$2,016	44,797

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DESCRIPTION	RAT	E TIME PERIOD	AMOUNT	VALUE
165. HOME MODIFICATIONS				
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$81,080	\$81,080
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 10/01/2032	\$81,080	60,840
166. GULDMANN CEILING LIF	T SYSTEM			
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$10,500	10,500
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2025	\$10,500	9,140
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2032	\$10,500	7,957
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2039	\$10,500	6,928
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2046	\$10,500	6,031
167. CEILING LIFT SLINGS				
	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$271	6,022
168. CEILING LIFT BATTERIE	S			
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$300	300
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2024	\$300	266
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2030	\$300	237
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2036	\$300	210
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2042	\$300	187
169. 60 HX AIR-COOLED GEN	IERATOR			
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2027	\$2,890	2,410
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 06/01/2037	\$2,890	1,977
170. GENERAC GENERATOR				
		ONE TIME COST 04/01/2018	\$995	995
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2028	\$995	816
	2.0%	ONE TIME COST 04/01/2038	\$995	670
171. 200 GALLON PROPANE	TANK			
	2.0%	04/01/2018 - 06/30/2047	\$232	5,155

PRESENT VALUE

\$14,282,286

FOOTNOTE:

¹ THE NET DISCOUNT RATE IS THE ANTICIPATED SPREAD BETWEEN THE RATE OF RETURN ON INVESTMENTS AND THE RATE OF INCREASE IN CARE COSTS AND SERVICES. THE RATE OF RETURN ON INVESTMENTS IS BASED UPON A MIX OF SHORT AND MEDIUM-TERM U.S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES. RATES OF RETURN ARE REPORTED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM. THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF MEDICAL CARE SERVICES AND COMMODITIES IS BASED ON THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, MEDICAL CARE COMMODITIES AND SERVICES INDEXES. THE INCREASE IN THE COST OF NON-MEDICAL SERVICES IS BASED ON THE HOURLY COMPENSATION SERIES PUBLISHED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS.

EXHIBIT 7

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RELEASE AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, DARIA HARPER, individually and DANIEL WININGER, individually (hereinafter identified as "PLAINTIFFS"), have alleged claims against

"DEFENDANTS"), for damages allegedly sustained by PLAINTIFFS on or about June 9, 2015, which is the subject matter of Case Number A-16-738004-C in the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Clark.

WHEREAS, DEFENDANTS herein deny all liability whatsoever for any damages resulting from any allegations from the above incident against them or any of their employees or agents; and

WHEREAS, the parties are desirous of resolving the aforementioned claim;

NOW, therefore,

In and For Consideration of

to

be paid to "LAW OFFICES OF MARSHALL SILBERBERG, LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS ALCH, DARIA HARPER and DANIEL WININGER," constituting payment for pain, suffering, disfigurement and past and future medical care needs allegedly caused by DEFENDANTS, in exchange for dismissal with prejudice of Case Number A-16-738004-C, PLAINTIFFS agree to assume responsibility for and to satisfy and discharge all applicable and legally enforceable liens, conditional payments, claims, bills and expenses arising from all medical, psychological, rehabilitative, hospital, skilled nursing, hospice, institutional or other care and treatment, benefits and related services, supplies, drugs, medication, durable medical equipment, and/or prostheses provided to PLAINTIFFS related to the disputed claims from the settlement funds, and to fully defend, indemnify and hold DEFENDANTS harmless from any and all such liens, conditional payments, claims, bills, costs, expenses, damages, recoveries and deficiencies including interest, penalties and reasonable attorney's fees that PLAINTIFFS may incur or which may arise, or relate to any subsequent litigation or liability of DEFENDANTS, or on account of any actions, claims or demands by lien holders including but not limited to Worker's Compensation, Medicare and/or Medicaid payments or conditional payments, liens and/or subrogation interests, if any. PLAINTIFFS further agree to and will instruct their attorneys to satisfy all applicable Worker's Compensation. State and Federal obligations from the settlement proceeds, including but not limited to those associated with Medicare and Medicaid, and not to withdraw that instruction for any reason, and further to authorize and/or permit their attorneys to take whatever steps are necessary to satisfy these obligations without interference, and assist counsel to the extent possible and necessary in their attempts to comply with this requirement. PLAINTIFFS specifically agree to assume responsibility for and to discharge any liens, subrogated or assigned claims, and/or conditional payments, bills or expenses paid by any governmental entity, governmental agency, governmental provider, third party insurance carrier or any other person or entity related to disputed claims, including but not limited to Medicare Secondary Payer claims for reimbursement

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of conditional payments by Medicare, and to defend, indemnify and hold harmless DEFENDANTS from any and all liability or causes of action arising out of same, if any such obligation exists. Also, PLAINTIFFS agree to waive any actions or future claims against DEFENDANTS available under Medicare, Medicaid, and/or the SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 and their related amendments.

- 1. **RELEASE.** PLAINTIFFS do hereby forever discharge and release DEFENDANTS, their past and present employer(s), past and present affiliates, past and present partners, past and present employees, past and present parent companies, past and present joint venturers, predecessors, attorney(s), agents, successors and assigns (identified hereafter as "RELEASEES") from any and actions or causes of actions, suits, claims, counterclaims, contracts, promises, liabilities, debts, damages, sums of money, accounts and demands whatsoever which PLAINTIFFS now or have ever had against DEFENDANTS, their past and present employer(s), past and present affiliates, past and present partners, past and present employees, past and present parent companies, past and present joint venturers, predecessors, attorney(s), agents, successors and assigns for any and all claims for damages alleged regarding the above incident and any claim, litigation cause of action or controversy asserted against his past and present employer(s), past and present affiliates, past and present partners, past and present employees, past and present parent companies, past and present joint venturers, predecessors, attorney(s), agents, successors and assigns, arising from payments made for or concerning damages in the form of personal injury pain and suffering alleged as a result of the incident which is the subject of the aforementioned claim.
- 2. INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMILESS. Except as stated above, PLAINTIFFS do hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify RELEASEES against all loss, damage, and tax incurred in the future as a result of any claims, litigation or controversy concerning any claim resulting from the aforementioned events, which are described more fully in pleadings filed in Case Number A-16-738004-C in the Eighth Judicial District Court of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Clark. PLAINTIFFS agree to hold RELEASEES harmless and to indemnify RELEASEES, for any claims arising from payments made to PLAINTIFFS for damages alleged as a result of the allegations of the above aforementioned events which are the subject of this dispute, which are described more fully in pleadings filed in Case Number A-16-738004-C in the District Court, Clark County Nevada. PLAINTIFFS do hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify RELEASEES for and against all liens including any action by any current or prior counsel for PLAINTIFFS, Medicare or Medicaid by reason of the foregoing matter.
- <u>GOVERNING LAW.</u> This agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Nevada and shall be binding on the parties hereto, their successors, assigns, heirs, and personal representatives.
- 4. <u>SETTLEMENT AND COMPROMISE.</u> It is further agreed and understood by PLAINTIFFS, that this agreement and release does not amount to an admission of any kind

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of fault or liability on the part of RELEASEES, that this agreement represents a full and good faith compromise and settlement of any and all claims PLAINTIFFS now have, or ever had against RELEASEES as a result of any allegations regarding the above events; and this Agreement and Release is fully binding upon PLAINTIFFS and is fully binding upon RELEASEES.

- <u>SEVERABILITY</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provisions of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, which shall remain in full force and effect.
- 6. <u>COUNTERPARTS.</u> It is further agreed by all parties that this settlement Agreement and Release may be executed in counterparts and will have the same force and effect and be fully binding as though the document was executed simultaneously in one physical location.
- 7. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT.** The undersigned further declares and represents that no promise, inducement or agreement not herein expressed has been made to the undersigned, and that this Settlement Agreement and Release contains the entire agreement between the parties hereto, and that the terms of his Release are contractual and not a mere recital.
- 8. <u>GOOD FAITH.</u> PLAINTIFFS and DEFENDANTS hereby agree that the above terms and conditions constitute a complete settlement of all claims resulting from the aforementioned events, and dismissal of all claims as against DEFENDANTS and/or RELEASEES, with prejudice, was arrived at through arms-length negotiations, and entered into in good faith and is therefore a reasonable and good faith sum in settlement and release of all PLAINTIFFS' claims against DEFENDANTS and/or RELEASEES.
- <u>CLASSIFICATION OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS.</u> All sums set forth herein constitute damages on account of physical injuries within the meaning of Section 104(a)(2) of the IRC of 1986, as amended.
- 10. <u>COLLATERAL SOURCE EVIDENCE.</u> Pursuant to NRS 42.021, and as allowed by the Court in the above described action, Defendants introduced evidence of Plaintiffs' health insurance for payment of Plaintiffs' past medical expenses. Defendants intended to argue that Plaintiffs were not entitled to an award of past medical payments by reason of the payment by Plaintiffs' insurer. The parties agree and acknowledge by reason of the admission of collateral source evidence, there was a substantial likelihood the jury would not have awarded any damages for past medical expenses or related costs.
- 11. <u>CONFIDENTIALITY.</u> PLAINTIFFS do hereby agree not to disclose that this matter was settled, the amount of this settlement, the approximate amount of the settlement or any offer or counter-offer made between the parties, to any person(s), entity (ies), on any form of social media, or to any media or media representative. Nothing in this agreement shall

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in any way limit PLAINTIFFS' ability to cooperate with, provide information or provide testimony in connection with any proceeding before the Nevada Board of Medical Examiners or to any governmental agency.

12. The PLAINTIFFS declare and expressly warrant that they are not **MEDICARE.** Medicare eligible nor within thirty (30) months of becoming Medicare eligible; is not 65 years of age or older; is not suffering from end stage renal failure or amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; has not received Social Security benefits for 24 months or longer; and has not applied for Social Security benefits, and/or has not been denied Social Security disability benefits and appealing the denial. Relying on these representations, no Medicare Set Aside Allocation ("MSA") is being established. In the event that any of the above information provided by PLAINTIFFS is false or in any way incorrect, PLAINTIFFS shall be solely liable for any and all actions, cause of actions, penalties, claims, costs, services, compensation or the like resulting from these inaccuracies. PLAINTIFFS acknowledge that Medicare may require PLAINTIFFS to exhaust the entire settlement proceeds on Medicare covered expenses should they become Medicare eligible within thirty (30) months. PLAINTIFFS specifically waive any claims for damages against DEFENDANTS and/or RELEASEES, including a private cause of action provided in the MSP, 42 U.S.C. Section 1395(b)(3)(A), should Medicare deny coverage for any reason, including the failure to establish a set aside allocation to protect Medicare's interest. PLAINTIFFS, upon advice of counsel, and in accord with the release, agree that any and all applicable medical and other liens related to this litigation are to be paid out of the settlement proceeds, and that Medicare and any other liens related to this litigation are to be paid out of the settlement proceeds, and that Medicare and any other lien claims are the sole responsibility of PLAINTIFFS, with nothing further to be sought from DEFENDANTS and/or RELEASEES. In the event that this information is false or in any way incorrect, PLAINTIFFS expressly warrant and agree that said liens will be their sole responsibility and will be paid from these settlement proceeds with nothing further to be sought from **DEFENDANTS and/or RELEASEES.**

WHEREFORE, PLAINTIFFS, DARIA HARPER, individually and DANIEL WININGER, individually, hereto set their hand and seal this

/O day of May 2018.

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT

ARIZONA	
STATE OF NEVADA)
MOHAVE) ss:
COUNTY OF CLARK)

On the 10^{th} day of May, 2018, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public, personally appeared DARIA HARPER, known to me to be the person(s) who executed the foregoing settlement agreement and general release and acknowledged that he/she has done so as his/her free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have here into set my hand and affix my official seal the day and year last above written.



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NOTARY PUBLIC

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ARIZONA STATE OF NEVADA) MOHAVE) SS: COUNTY OF CLARK)

On the $\frac{D^{+}}{D}$ day of May, 2018, before me the undersigned, a Notary Public, personally appeared DANIEL WININGER, known to me to be the person(s) who executed the foregoing settlement agreement and general release and acknowledged that he/she has done so as his/her free act and deed.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have here into set my hand and affix my official seal the day and year last above written.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Approved as to form and content:

ARPER

DANEL WANDLOFF

DANIEL WININGER

Thomas S. Alch, Esq. LAW OFFICES OF THOMAS S. ALCH 500 N. Rainbow Blvd, Suite 300 Las Vegas, Nevada 89107 Attorneys for Plaintiffs

EXHIBIT 8

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July 2, 2018

VIA EMAIL AND U.S. MAIL

Pam Fudge Recovery Specialist Legal Department CopperPoint Insurance Companies 3030 N. 3rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85012-3039 FAX – (602)631-2188

Re:	Daria Harper	
	Claim No.:	14G01532
	DOI:	08/11/2014
	Employer:	Islander RV Resort LLC

Dear Ms. Fudge:

I received your letter dated June 22, 2018, regarding your request for an update and your claim to a lien in this matter. As of this time, Mrs. Harper's case has settled. You were not made aware of the settlement because CopperPoint is not entitled to a lien, as will be explained in more detail below.

As I understand it, CopperPoint claims it is entitled to a lien based upon A.R.S. § 23-1023(D). Mrs. Harper's case was never filed in Arizona, it was filed, litigated, and resolved in Nevada as that is where the injury occurred. Hence, Arizona law has no application or enforceability in Nevada. Therefore, the aforementioned code section does not permit a lien in another state, which is a position supported by the Nevada courts and case law.

As for Nevada law, that State does not permit Workers' Compensation to assert a lien in a medical malpractice case. NRS § 42.021 sets forth "In an action for injury or death against a provider of health care based upon professional negligence, if the defendant so elects, the defendant may introduce evidence of any amount payable as a benefit to the plaintiff as a result of the injury or death pursuant to the United States Social Security Act, any state or federal income disability or worker's compensation act, any health, sickness or income-disability insurance, accident insurance that provides health benefits or income-disability coverage, and any contract or agreement of any group, organization, partnership or corporation to provide, pay for or reimburse the cost of medical, hospital, dental or other health care services. If the defendant elects to introduce such evidence, the plaintiff may introduce evidence of any amount that the plaintiff has

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paid or contributed to secure the plaintiff's right to any insurance benefits concerning which the defendant has introduced evidence."

Section 42.021, goes on to state, specifically in subsection (2), that "a source of collateral benefits introduced pursuant to subsection (1) **may not...(a)** Recover any amount against the plaintiff." (I have attached a copy of this statute for your convenience). Quite clearly, this means that in the State of Nevada, any workers compensation insurance company may not recover any amount against a plaintiff. This also means that any such insurance company may not place a lien on any proceeds of a settlement.

Here, there is no dispute that Mrs. Harper suffered an injury in the State of Nevada as a result of medical malpractice. For this reason, Mrs. Harper's case was filed in Nevada, governed by Nevada law, thereby implicating the statute cited above, along with the protections that preclude CopperPoint having a lien on any proceeds. Nevada law is identical to California law, and Courts in both states do not permits liens, such as the one to which you claim to be entitled.

Moving forward, it is my expectation, and that of my client, that CopperPoint will continue to provide for Mrs. Harper's care. Should CopperPoint at any point in time intentionally, or otherwise, withhold any medical care to which Mrs. Harper is entitled, our office will take immediate legal action.

Please call to discuss the foregoing.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

Marshall Silberberg

NOTICE OF CLAIM STATUS

Carrier or Self-Insured Name and Address	ICA Claim No.	20142520533
CopperPoint General Insurance Company / CLAIMS DEPT. P.O. Box 33069 Phoenix, AZ 85067-3069	Soc. Sec. No. SSN not required	###/##/#### if correct ICA claim number is provided
Authorized Third Party Administrator (TPA) Name and Address	Carrier Claim No.	14G01532
	Employer	ISLANDER RV RESORT LLC
Claimant's Name and Address	Address	LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ 86403
DARIA HARPER		LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ 86403
3336 DATE PALM DR. LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ 86404	Date of Injury	08/11/2014
1. Claim is accepted.		
2. Claim is denied.		
3. No temporary compensation paid because the claimant has not to this injury beyond seven consecutive days.	not currently sustained a te	emporary disability entitlement attributable
4. Enclosed check for for period of less than 14 calendar days. Payment has been made based		
A. Statutory minimum or estimated monthly wage pendir	ng determination of Averag	ge Monthly Wage within 30 days.
B. Average monthly wage at time of injury (see attached Commission of Arizona within 30 days.	calculation), subject to fin	al determination by the Industrial
5. Return to light duty effective Per A.R monthly. Return to regular duty effective	.S. §23-1044(A) and A.R.S	S. §23-1062(D) benefits are payable at least
6. Temporary compensation and active medical treatment term	inated on	because claimant was discharged.
7. Injury resulted in no permanent disability.		
8. Injury resulted in permanent disability. Amount of permane any, will be authorized by separate Notice.	nt benefits, if any, and sup	portive medical maintenance benefits, if
9. Petition to Reopen accepted.		
10. Petition to Reopen denied.		
 Pursuant to A.R.S. § 23-1023, CopperPoint Claimant's third-party recovery from a medic action (case No. A-16-738004-C) brought in of Clark County, Nevada, in an amount equal 	al malpractice the District Court	
Mailed on: 10/30/2019 E	By: Jeff de Veuve	
Copy to: Industrial Commission of Arizona	(Authorized Repre	sentative) Tel. #: (602) 631-2966
The insurance carrier/employer will, upon request, provide claimant a c	opy of the medical report	to support Findings 5, 6, 7 or 8.

NOTICE TO CLAIMANT: If you do not agree with this NOTICE and wish a hearing on the matter, your written Request for Hearing must be received at either office of the Industrial Commission listed below within NINETY (90) DAYS after the date of mailing of this Notice, pursuant to A.R.S. 23-941 and 23-947. IF NO SUCH APPLICATION IS RECEIVED WITHIN THAT NINETY DAY PERIOD, THIS NOTICE IS FINAL.

AVISO AL RECLAMANTE: Si usted no esta de acuerdo con este AVISO, y desea una audiencia en este caso, su peticion por escrito pidlendo una audiencia debera ser recibida en cualquira de las oficinas de la Comision Industrial a las direcciones abajo indicadas dentro de NOVENTA (90) DIAS despues de la fecha de este AVISO, de acuerdo con las leyes A.R.S. 23-941 y 23-947. SI DICHA PETICION NO ESTA RECIBIDA DENTRO DEL PERIODO DE NOVENTA (90) DIAS, ESTE AVISO SERA CONSIDERADO FINAL.

Phoenix Office:	Industrial Commission of Arizona 800 W Washington Street Phoenix. Arizona 85007-2922	Tucson Office:	Industrial Commission of Arizona 2675 E Broadway Tucson, Arizona 85716-5342
	PO Box 19070		

Phoenix, AZ 85005-9070

Date:10/30/19Claimant Name:Daria HarperClaim Number:14G01532

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• and medical, surgical, and hospital benefits paid by CopperPoint.

• CopperPoint is entitled to accrued interest on the lien from the date settlement proceeds were disbursed.

• CopperPoint is entitled to a future credit against Claimant's recovery equal to the amount of money received by the Claimant in the malpractice action after subtracting expenses and attorney fees.

• CopperPoint is not required to pay claimant compensation or medical, surgical, or hospital benefits until the claimant's post-settlement accrued entitlement to compensation and medical benefits exceeds the credit amount.

• To the extent the settlement in the malpractice action was less than the workers' compensation benefits provided by CopperPoint, Claimant's failure to obtain CopperPoint's prior approval before settling results in forfeiture of her workers' compensation claim.

THIS FORM APPROVED BY THE INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION OF ARIZONA FOR CARRIER USE

CC: Marshall Silberberg William Stephens Collins LAW OFFICES OF MARSHALL SILBERBERG 3333 Michelson Drive, Suite 710 Irvine, CA 92612



3030 N 3rd Street | Phoenix AZ | 95012

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April 2, 2020

VIA CERTIFIED AND U.S. MAIL

Ms. Daria Harper 3336 Date Palm Drive Lake Havasu, AZ 86404

Re: Daria Harper Claim No.: 14G01532 DOI: 08/11/2014 Employer: Islander RV Resort LLC

Dear Ms. Harper:

We are writing to you with regard to the status of your workers' compensation claim and CopperPoint Mutual Insurance Company's ("CopperPoint") lien rights. As you already know, you settled your medical malpractice action (Case No. A-16-738004-C in the District Court of Clark County, Nevada) without CopperPoint's consent, as is required by Arizona law. You also have not resolved CopperPoint's lien for the worker's compensation benefits paid to you. As you are also well aware, CopperPoint has tried to work toward a resolution of these matters for over a year through your counsel but to no avail. As a result, there are presently pending proceedings before the Arizona Industrial Commission pertaining to CopperPoint's lien.

Throughout the last several years, and despite the lack of cooperation on your behalf in seeking resolution of the lien, CopperPoint has continued to pay to you a full range of workers compensation benefits which to date amounts to millions of dollars. CopperPoint has tried repeatedly to work with you on resolving the lien, even though you did: a) not bother to inform CopperPoint of the settlements when they were reached, b) failed to obtain CopperPoint's consent to the settlements as required by law, and c) continually refused to provide the amounts of the settlements. In fact, the amounts paid appear to exceed the amount of funds received by you personally in the settlement of your litigation.

CopperPoint is entitled to interest on the lien amount since the date of your medical malpractice settlements in 2018. Further, CopperPoint is entitled to a credit against future workers compensation payments to you equal to the amount of money you received in the medical malpractice settlements less appropriate expenses and attorneys' fees.

CopperPoint has been very accommodating in seeking a resolution of the lien issue for so long. This is especially true given the medical malpractice settlements were effectively and intentionally kept secret from CopperPoint. Moreover, when CopperPoint learned on its own of the settlements, information concerning the amount and terms of the settlements were still withheld and no attempt to resolve the lien was made on your behalf. As of this letter, we are approximately five months since the filing of CopperPoint's Notice of Claim Status and there still has been no action by you to address CopperPoint's outstanding lien. Nevertheless, CopperPoint continued to pay full workers compensation payments to you even though it was not legally required. However, this benevolent conduct by CopperPoint cannot continue indefinitely.

Therefore, please be informed:

COPPERPOINT WILL TERMINATE PAYMENT OF YOUR WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS EFFECTIVE THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS LETTER.

No further benefits will be paid until your post-settlement accrued entitlement to compensation and medical benefits exceeds CopperPoint's credit for its lien. It is anticipated this may result in no further benefits becoming payable in the future.¹

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Very truly yours,

COPPERPOINT MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Jonny Arnett Coro

Ginny Arnett Caro

cc: Adam Palmer, Esq.

¹ Moreover, to the extent the settlement in your malpractice action was less than the workers' compensation benefits provided by CopperPoint, your failure to obtain CopperPoint's prior approval before settling the malpractice claim results in a forfeiture of your workers' compensation claim.

NOTICE OF CLAIM STATUS

Carrier or Self-Insured Name and Address CopperPoint General Insurance Company	ICA Claim No. 20142520533
3030 N 3rd St Phoenix, AZ 85012 Authorized Third Party Administrator (TPA) Name and Address Claimant's Name and Address Daria Harper	Soc. Sec. No. SSN not required if correct ICA claim number is provided Carrier Claim No. 14G01532 Employer Islander RV Resort LLC Address 751 Beachcomber Blvd
C/O SCHIFFMAN LAW OFFICE PC 4506 N 12TH ST PHOENIX AZ 85014	Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403 Date of Injury 08/11/2014
to this injury beyond seven consecutive days.	not currently sustained a temporary disability entitlement attributable Seven days deducted if disability is
 A. Statutory minimum or estimated monthly wage pendi B. Average monthly wage at time of injury (see attached Commission of Arizona within 30 days. 	l on 66 ² / ₃ percent of the wage of based on the following ing determination of Average Monthly Wage within 30 days. d calculation), subject to final determination by the Industrial
monthly. Return to regular duty effective 6. Temporary compensation and active medical treatment term 7. Injury resulted in no permanent disability.	R.S. §23-1044(A) and A.R.S. §23-1062(D) benefits are payable at least
 9. Petition to Reopen accepted. 10. Petition to Reopen denied. 11. Other: Future compensation, medical, surgical, hospital, other benefits payable to applicant or behalf of ap effective May 2, 2020 until CopperPoint's current. 	oplicant are terminated
is fully exhausted Mailed on: 05/01/2020	By: Jeffrey Deveuve
Copy to: Industrial Commission of Arizona	(Authorized Representative) Tel. #: (602) 631-2300
The insurance carrier/employer will, upon request, provide claimant a	copy of the medical report to support Findings 5, 6, 7 or 8.

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	PO Box 19070 Phoenix, AZ 85005-9070		

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KeyCite Yellow Flag - Negative Treatment Distinguished by Photias v. Doerfler, Cal.App. 2 Dist., May 22, 1996 37 Cal.3d 174 Supreme Court of California.

> Warren H. BARME, Jr., et al., Plaintiffs, v. Gayanne WOOD et al., Defendants and Respondents; City of Huntington Park, Intervener and Appellant.

> > L.A. 31484. | Nov. 8, 1984.

Synopsis

By his wife and conservator, city police officer who suffered brain damage in course of open heart surgery brought medical malpractice action. The city, a self-insured workers' compensation carrier, filed complaint in intervention, seeking to recover from medical malpractice defendants expenses it incurred in providing workers' compensation benefits to officer. The Superior Court, Los Angeles County, Rosemary M. Dunbar, J., awarded defendants summary judgment against city, and city appealed. The Supreme Court, Kaus, J., held that statute which precludes a "collateral source" which has provided medical expenses or other benefits to а medical malpractice plaintiff from obtaining reimbursement of those expenses from medical malpractice defendant does not violate due process or equal protection.

Affirmed.

Mosk, J., dissented with opinion in which Bird, C.J., concurred.

Opinion, 122 Cal.App.3d 395, 176 Cal.Rptr. 42, vacated.

West Headnotes (3)

[1] Workers' Compensation-Right of Action of Employee or Representative Generally

An employer's right to seek reimbursement from a third party for workers' compensation benefits that employer is legally obligated to provide is of statutory origin and is properly subject to legislative regulation or abolition. West's Ann.Cal.Labor Code § 3852.

2 Cases that cite this headnote

[2] Constitutional Law Professional Malpractice Subrogation Nature and Theory of Right

Statute which precludes a "collateral source" which has provided medical expenses or other benefits to a plaintiff in a medical malpractice case from obtaining reimbursement of those expenses from medical malpractice defendant does not violate due process, since statute is rationally related to legitimate public interest in reducing cost of medical malpractice insurance. U.S.C.A. Const.Amend. 14; West's Ann.Cal.Civ.Code § 3333.1(b).

31 Cases that cite this headnote

 [3] Constitutional Law Medical Malpractice Constitutional Law Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Payment Statutory Provisions Subrogation Nature and Theory of Right

> Statute precluding a "collateral source" which has provided medical expenses or other benefits to a plaintiff in a medical malpractice case from obtaining reimbursement of such expenses from medical malpractice defendant does not violate equal protection, on theory that it affords medical malpractice defendants benefits not afforded to other tort defendants and imposes a burden on employers who provide workers' compensation benefits to victims of medical malpractice that is not imposed on employers in other situations, since legislature could properly limit statute's application to medical malpractice actions. U.S.C.A. Const.Amend. 14; West's

Ann.Cal.Civ.Code § 3333.1(b).

12 Cases that cite this headnote

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Opinion

KAUS, Justice.

In our recent decision in American Bank & Trust Co. v. Community Hospital (1984) 36 Cal.3d 359, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670, *177 we reviewed a wide-ranging constitutional challenge to one provision of the Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act of 1975 (MICRA), a section which authorized the periodic payment of damages in medical malpractice actions. (Code Civ.Proc., \S 667.7.) We concluded that the provision was constitutional. In this case, we face a somewhat similar challenge to another provision of MICRA, Civil Code section 3333.1, subdivision (b),1 which precludes a so-called "collateral source" which has provided medical expenses or other benefits to the plaintiff in a medical malpractice case from obtaining reimbursement of those expenses from a medical malpractice defendant. As in American Bank, we conclude that the Legislature acted within its constitutional authority in enacting the provision in question.

Ι

In November 1977, plaintiff Warren H. Barme, Jr., a police officer employed by the City of Huntington Beach, suffered a heart attack while on duty. Shortly thereafter, he underwent open heart surgery at St. Francis Hospital of Lynwood; during the surgery, he sustained brain damage. In April 1978, Barme and his wife brought this action against the hospital as well as a number of doctors and a nurse involved in his treatment, alleging that the brain damage was caused by their negligence.

In September 1978, the City of Huntington Beach, a self-insured workers' compensation carrier, filed a complaint in intervention, seeking to recover from defendants *****818 **448** the expenses it had incurred, and was continuing to incur, in providing workers' compensation benefits to Barme. (Lab.Code, § 3852.)² The complaint alleged that as of September 1978, the city had ***178** paid approximately \$79,000 in such benefits; the total amount of benefits was expected to exceed \$150,000. The city asserted that these expenditures were proximately caused by defendants' negligence.

In August 1979, defendants moved for summary judgment with respect to the city's complaint in intervention, maintaining that recovery by the city was barred under section 3333.1, subdivision (b).³ The city opposed the motion primarily on the ground that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) was unconstitutional under equal protection and due process principles.⁴ The trial court disagreed and granted summary judgment in favor of defendants. The city appeals.

II

In *American Bank*, we summarized the medical malpractice insurance "crisis" which gave rise to the MICRA legislation. "The problem which was the immediate impetus to the enactment of MICRA arose when the insurance companies which issued virtually all of the medical malpractice insurance policies in California determined that the costs of affording such coverage were so high that they would no longer continue to provide such coverage as they had in the past. Some of the insurers withdrew from the medical malpractice field

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entirely, while others raised the premiums which they charged to doctors and hospitals to what were frequently referred to as 'skyrocketing' rates. As a consequence, many doctors decided either to stop *179 providing medical care with respect to certain high risk procedures or treatment, to terminate their practice in this state altogether, or to 'go bare,' i.e., to practice without malpractice insurance. The result was that in parts of the state medical care was not fully available, and patients who were treated by uninsured doctors faced the prospect of obtaining only unenforceable judgments if they ***819 **449 should suffer serious injury as a result of malpractice." (36 Cal.3d at p. 371, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670.)

We explained that MICRA "attacked the problem on several fronts. In broad outline, the act (1) attempted to reduce the incidence and severity of medical malpractice injuries by strengthening governmental oversight of the education, licensing and discipline of physicians and health care providers, (2) sought to curtail unwarranted insurance premium increases by authorizing alternative insurance coverage programs and by establishing new procedures to review substantial rate increases, and (3) attempted to reduce the cost and increase the efficiency of medical malpractice litigation by revising a number of legal rules applicable to such litigation." (*Id.* at pp. 363–364, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670.)

The collateral source provision before us-like the periodic payment of damages provision at issue in American Bank -is one of the provisions of MICRA which was intended to reduce the cost of medical malpractice insurance. Section 3333.1, subdivision (a) -which is not at issue here-authorizes a defendant in a medical malpractice action to introduce evidence of a variety of "collateral source" benefits-including health insurance, disability insurance or worker's compensation benefits. Apparently, the Legislature's assumption was that the trier of fact would take the plaintiff's receipt of such benefits into account by reducing damages.⁵ Section 3333.1, subdivision (b) -- the provision challenged here—provides, in turn, that *180 "[n]o source of collateral benefits introduced pursuant to subdivision (a) shall recover any amount against the plaintiff nor shall it be subrogated to the rights of a plaintiff against a defendant." The city apparently concedes that this provision was intended to eliminate the right it would otherwise have under Labor Code section 3852 to seek reimbursement from a medical malpractice defendant. It argues, however, that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) is unconstitutional, violating its rights to both due process and equal protection. Neither contention has merit.

А

^[1] The city acknowledges that an employer's right to seek reimbursement from a third party for workers' compensation benefits that the employer is legally obligated to provide is of statutory origin and is properly subject to legislative regulation or abolition.⁶ The city contends, however, that the due process clause prohibits the ****450** Legislature from *arbitrarily* eliminating *****820** this right, and maintains that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) is arbitrary because it bears no rational relation to a legitimate public purpose.

¹²¹ We cannot agree. As we explained in *American Bank*, the Legislature could properly determine, in light of the facts before it, that the public interest of the state would be served by the adoption of measures which reduced the cost of medical malpractice insurance. "By reducing such costs, the Legislature hoped (1) to restore insurance premiums to a level doctors and hospitals could afford, thereby inducing them to resume providing medical care to all segments of the community, and (2) to insure that insurance would in fact be available as a protection for patients injured through medical malpractice." (36 Cal.3d at p. 372, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670.) The retention of adequate medical care and the preservation of adequate insurance coverage are clearly legitimate public interests.

It is just as clear that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) is rationally related to the objective of reducing the cost of medical malpractice insurance. By prohibiting "collateral sources" from obtaining reimbursement from medical malpractice defendants or their insurers, the section obviously reduces the potential liability of such defendants. (See *California Physicians' Service v. Superior Court* (1980) 102 Cal.App.3d 91, 97, 162 Cal.Rptr. 266.) The Legislature could rationally conclude that this would lead to lower malpractice insurance premiums.

*181 Although the city points out that any savings in malpractice premiums is likely to be offset by higher premiums for workers' compensation, health and disability insurance and the like, that circumstance does not undermine the rationality of the legislation. Assuming that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) would not reduce the total costs caused by malpractice, the Legislature could have determined that by redistributing the financial impact of malpractice among the different types of

insurers involved in the health field, the costs would be spread over a wider base, alleviating the immediate problems posed by a growing cadre of uninsured doctors and a potential shortage of medical care.

The city also contends that the legislation is arbitrary because it shifts some of the cost of medical malpractice from negligent health care providers to innocent -i.e., nonnegligent-employers or insurers. In the first place, to put the matter in perspective, it must be remembered that by and large the insurers who are burdened by the provision have been paid a fee or premium to provide the health or other benefits covered by their policies; employers, like the city in this case, who have chosen to be self-insured presumably have decided that it is in their self-interest to do so in order to save the insurance premium they would otherwise incur. Because the injury in this case arose well after the enactment of MICRA, we can only assume that the city-and other insurers-took into account the elimination of the right to reimbursement in making the relevant economic decisions. In this context, the asserted "innocence" of the employer or insurer has little meaning.

Furthermore, the due process clause does not demand that the Legislature invariably allocate liability on a negligence or fault basis. The Legislature may well have determined that only by shifting some of the costs of malpractice from a negligent defendant to the victim's own "first party" insurers, would the victim retain a realistic opportunity to obtain any damages from malpractice insurance. Insistence on having malpractice defendants and their insurers bear all of the loss might have meant that no malpractice insurance would have been offered or that many doctors would have practiced uninsured. Rather than reducing the malpractice victim's recovery beyond that mandated by other MICRA provisions (see, e.g. § 3333.2, subd. (b) [limiting recovery for noneconomic losses to \$250,000]), the Legislature may have decided that it was preferable to require the victim's health or workers' compensation **451 insurer to absorb some of the loss. Policy ***821 judgments of this nature are clearly within the legislative prerogative.

В

^[3] The city alternatively argues that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) denies equal protection, affording medical malpractice defendants benefits ***182** not afforded to other tort defendants and imposing a burden on employers who provide benefits to victims of medical malpractice that is not imposed on employers in other situations. We rejected a similar argument in *American Bank*, explaining that the statutory changes were limited to medical malpractice actions because that was the area in which the crisis which precipitated the legislation arose. (36 Cal.3d at pp. 370–373, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670.) Since, as we have just discussed, the provisions of section 3333.1, subdivision (b) were clearly intended to alleviate those same problems, the Legislature did not violate equal protection principles in limiting the section's application to medical malpractice actions.⁷

The judgment is affirmed.

BROUSSARD, REYNOSO, GRODIN and LUCAS, JJ.

MOSK, Justice, dissenting.

I dissent.

In American Bank & Trust Co. v. Community Hospital (1984) 36 Cal.3d 359, 204 Cal.Rptr. 671, 683 P.2d 670, a slim majority of this court approved the shifting of a substantial part of the burden of damages from the tortfeasor to the innocent victim. The purported reason was the desire to reduce premiums for medical insurance and by that means to lower medical and hospital costs.1 In my dissent in that case I pointed out how vain that purpose had then proved to be. The passage of time has further vindicated my views. In the nine years since adoption of the so-called Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act of 1975, medical and hospital costs have continued to rise astronomically. The only "reform" has been to magnanimously bestow on health providers a generous insulation from much of the responsibility for their more egregious negligence.

*183 Now the majority compound their error by permitting yet another shift of the burdens of malpractice, this time from the medical malpractice defendant to the plaintiff's employer or workers' compensation carrier. Why the plaintiff's employer or compensation carrier should bear any of the responsibility for the defendant's malpractice defies rational explanation. Once again the only purpose suggested by the majority is a hoped-for reduction in medical malpractice insurance premiums. That the result will be an increase in workers' compensation insurance premiums appears to be ignored.

As between the two, which should logically shoulder the burden: the carrier of the tortfeasor or the carrier of ****452** the innocent employer? The answer is obvious.

*****822** One of the effects of Civil Code section 3333.1 is the shift of the burden of medical malpractice, and the associated insurance costs, to collateral sources. Whether insured or not, the cities that bear this added burden suffer a decrease in revenues, since there is no way in which they can recover their workers' compensation and other expenditures caused by the negligence of the health care provider. For cities that are self-insured, as Huntington Park in the instant case, the effect is a direct reduction in revenues. For cities that are insured by the State Compensation Insurance Fund, the effect is indirect, but no less costly, in that they must pay higher premiums for their workers' compensation insurance.

Local governments have been facing serious problems with rising workers' compensation costs. In 1976, the Institute for Local Government published the result of a two-year study of workers' compensation in the public sector in California. The institute noted that workers' compensation laws and regulations are not "visible public issues" which are the subject of media reporting, but that the costs "are rising at alarming rates in local government" and that "workers' compensation has become an issue of serious concern to public administrators."² From fiscal year 1968–1969 to 1972–1973, workers' compensation costs increased by 154 percent. In that same period, the increase was even higher for police (261 percent) and fire (279 percent) employees.³

The Workmen's Compensation Study Commission was established in 1963 by Labor Code sections 6200–6240 to study the workers' compensation system and advise the Governor and the Legislature of its findings. The commission report in 1965 found that benefits for employees of insured employers increased from 1953 to 1962 by 195 percent. Medical benefits over the same period rose 137.9 percent while indemnity benefits increased ***184** by 232.2 percent. The foregoing statistics illustrate that the trend of workers' compensation costs was steadily, and rapidly, increasing in the years prior to 1975 when the Legislature enacted Civil Code section 3333.1, which improvidently added another burden.

The attempt by respondents to isolate medical malpractice insurance as the only coverage that has experienced large cost increases is not justified by the facts. Admittedly there is some indication that medical malpractice insurance premiums were increasing prior to 1975 when section 3333.1 was adopted. However, to shift the burden of those rising costs to employers, including cities which themselves have experienced rising costs for workers' compensation, is not a rational approach to achieve the purported goal of better health care for the residents of California. Indeed, from a public policy aspect, it is counterproductive.

In *Li v. Yellow Cab Company* (1975) 13 Cal.3d 804, 811, 119 Cal.Rptr. 858, 532 P.2d 1226, this court made it clear that we must maintain "a system in which liability is based on fault, the extent of fault should govern the extent of liability" We further declared that contributory negligence must be replaced "by a system under which liability for damage will be borne by those whose negligence caused it in direct proportion to their respective fault." (Id. at p. 813, 119 Cal.Rptr. 858, 532 P.2d 1226.)

If an employer contributed in any way to the injury of the employee, the recovery by the employer in his employee's suit against a third party tortfeasor will be reduced accordingly. (Associated Construction & Engineering Co. v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd. (1978) 22 Cal.3d 829, 846–847, 150 Cal.Rptr. 888, 587 P.2d 684.) But if the employer is entirely free of negligence that caused the employee's injury, as he would generally be in a medical malpractice case, there is a clear violation of the employer's due process rights by shifting the burden from the tortfeasor to him or his carrier.

****453** Section 3333.1 must fall for two elementary reasons. First, it creates an invidious classification, i.e., medical malpractice tortfeasors *****823** are permitted to pass on much of the burdens of their negligence to innocent third parties, unlike all other tortfeasors. There is no logical way to distinguish between a medical doctor who negligently severs a victim's artery during surgery and a motorist who negligently severs a victim's artery in an automobile accident. Under even the modest rational relationship test, this discriminatory classification serves no valid state purpose and is therefore untenable. Second, the code section as applied here deprives the innocent employer or his carrier of their property without any semblance of due process.

*185 I would reverse the judgment.

BIRD, C.J., concurs.

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Footnotes

Section 3333.1 provides in relevant part: "(a) In the event the defendant so elects, in an action for personal injury against a health care provider based upon professional negligence, he may introduce evidence of any amount payable as a benefit to the plaintiff as a result of the personal injury pursuant to the United States Social Security Act, any state or federal income disability or worker's compensation act, any health, sickness or income-disability insurance, accident insurance that provides health benefits or income-disability coverage, and any contract or agreement of any group, organization, partnership, or corporation to provide, pay for, or reimburse the cost of medical, hospital, dental, or other health care services. Where the defendant elects to introduce such evidence, the plaintiff may introduce evidence of any amount which the plaintiff has paid or contributed to secure his right to any insurance benefits concerning which the defendant has introduced evidence. [¶] (b) No source of collateral benefits introduced pursuant to subdivision (a) shall recover any amount against the plaintiff nor shall it be subrogated to the rights of the plaintiff against a defendant." (Italics added.)

Unless otherwise specified, all section references are to the Civil Code.

- Section 3852 provides in relevant part: "The claim of an employee ... for compensation does not affect his or her claim or right of action for all damages proximately resulting from the injury or death against any person other than the employer. Any employer who pays or becomes obligated to pay compensation, or who pays, or becomes obligated to pay salary in lieu of compensation ... may likewise make a claim or bring an action against the third person. In the latter event, the employer may recover in the same suit, in addition to the total amount of compensation, damages for which he or she was liable including all salary, wage, pension or other emolument paid to the employee or to his or her dependents...." (Italics added.)
- Defendants had earlier moved for judgment on the pleadings on the basis of section 3333.1, subdivision (b), but the trial court had ruled that that motion was premature because defendants had not yet elected to introduce evidence of the workers' compensation benefits received by Barme, an election which the court held was a prerequisite to the application of section 3333.1. Defendants then filed a document indicating their intention to introduce such evidence in the malpractice action, and moved for summary judgment.
- In its opposition to the summary judgment motion, the city also argued that its action for reimbursement under Labor Code section 3852 was not covered by section 3333.1, subdivision (b) because the suit was not a "subrogation" action within the meaning of the MICRA provision. The city has not renewed this claim on appeal, apparently conceding that section 3333.1, subdivision (b) was intended to bar an employer's action under section 3852. That concession appears well-founded. Workers' compensation benefits are one of the collateral source benefits specifically enumerated in section 3333.1, subdivision (a) (see fn. 1, *ante*), and this court—in describing the employer's remedy under section 3852—has observed that "in granting employers the right to sue third parties, the Legislature simply gave statutory recognition to principles of equitable subrogation." (*County of San Diego v. Sanfax Corp.* (1977) 19 Cal.3d 862, 876, fn. 7, 140 Cal.Rptr. 638, 568 P.2d 363.) Furthermore, the legislative history of section 3333.1, subdivision (b) indicates quite clearly that this provision was intended to prevail over other statutory subrogation provisions, such as Labor Code section 3852. An earlier draft of subdivision (b) would have preserved a collateral source's subrogation rights when such rights were "expressly provided by statute," but that exception was eliminated before the statute's enactment.
- Earlier drafts of section 3333.1, subdivision (a) required the trier of fact to deduct such collateral source benefits in computing damages, but—as enacted—subdivision (a) simply provides for the admission of evidence of such benefits, apparently leaving to the trier of fact the decision as to how such evidence should affect the assessment of damages. The purpose of section 3333.1, subdivision (a) has generally been viewed as an attempt to eliminate the so-called "double recovery" obtained by plaintiffs who have their medical expenses paid by their own health insurance and still obtain damages for such expenses from defendant tortfeasors. (See Keene, *California's Medical Malpractice Crisis* in A Legislator's Guide to the Medical Malpractice Issue (1976) 27, 31. Cf. *Helfend v. Southern Cal. Rapid Transit Dist.* (1970) 2 Cal.3d 1, 84 Cal.Rptr. 173, 465 P.2d 61 [explaining the rationale underlying the traditional "collateral source" rule excluding evidence of such collateral source benefits].) This reasoning does not apply to workers' compensation benefits, because under California law plaintiffs have not been permitted to obtain a double recovery of such benefits. Either the employer has been reduced by the applicable workers' compensation benefits obtained by the employee. (See *Witt v. Jackson* (1961) 57 Cal.2d 57, 731, 17 Cal.Rptr. 369, 366 P.2d 641.) Nonetheless, the Legislature specifically included workers' compensation benefits in the collateral source benefits covered by section 3333.1, subdivision (a).

- 6 Unlike an employer's right to reimbursement for workers' compensation expenditures, the right of reimbursement enjoyed by some of the other collateral sources enumerated in section 3333.1, subdivision (a) may be guaranteed by federal law. Under federal supremacy principles, of course, in such cases MICRA's provisions will have to yield. (See, e.g., *Brown v. Stewart* (1982) 129 Cal.App.3d 331, 341, 181 Cal.Rptr. 112; *id* at pp. 346–347, 181 Cal.Rptr. 112 [conc. opn. of Blease, J.].)
- Although not raised in the trial court, on appeal the city proffers two additional objections to section 3333.1, subdivision (b), contending (1) that it is an impermissible "tax" and (2) that, at least as applied to public employers, it authorizes an unconstitutional "gift of public funds." Both contentions are specious.
 First, it is difficult to see how section 3333.1, subdivision (b) can be characterized as a tax at all. It does not purport to raise any public revenue, but simply precludes an employer or insurer from passing on some of the expenses which it is obligated to bear to a third party. Since the Legislature has plenary control over obligations imposed under the workers' compensation system, it clearly had the power to determine that in some cases the employer or its insurer was required to forego reimbursement of its statutorily incurred expenses.
 Second, the provision does not embody an improper "gift of public funds." Not only does the section not authorize any payment of funds from the city to the pegligent tortfeasor, but as discussed above, the shift of costs to the employer clearly serves a

of funds from the city to the negligent tortfeasor, but, as discussed above, the shift of costs to the employer clearly serves a "public" purpose (see *County of Alameda v. Carleson* (1971) 5 Cal.3d 730, 745–746, 97 Cal.Rptr. 385, 488 P.2d 953)—promoting the availability of adequate medical care and adequate malpractice insurance coverage.

- ¹ The preamble to the legislation referred to the health crisis in terms, inter alia, of "severe hardships for the medically indigent, a denial of access for the economically marginal" (Stats.1975–1976, Second Ex. Sess., ch. 2, § 12.5.)
- 2 Through the Roof, Institute for Local Self Government (1976) pages 4–5.
- 3 Ibid., page 12.

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JOHN B. GRAHAM, Petitioner,

v. WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD and ORANGE COUNTY TRANSIT DISTRICT, Respondents

No. E006225. Court of Appeal, Fourth District, Division 2, California. May 12, 1989.

SUMMARY

An employee injured within the scope of his employment applied to the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board for adjudication of his claim for medical treatment and permanent disability benefits. He also sued a physician for negligent treatment of his injuries received in the accident. That action was settled and the trial court found the settlement was entered in good faith and was limited to general damages; the parties stipulated at the settlement conference to dismiss the claims for special damages, on the assumption the employee had received workers' compensation for those. The employer then petitioned for credit, in the amount of the settlement, against the employer's liability for future workers' compensation payments to the employee. The workers' compensation judge allowed the requested credit; the board granted the employee's petition for reconsideration but ruled the employer was entitled to assert a credit against the employee's settlement to the extent that the malpractice had exacerbated the employer's injuries, and remanded the cause to the workers' compensation judge to determine the extent of the employer's credit rights.

The Court of Appeal annulled the order of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board. The court held that Civ. Code, § 3333.1, abrogating the collateral source rule in medical malpractice cases, prevented the employer from obtaining credit against future benefits it owed the injured employee. It held the parties in the underlying medical malpractice case made an adequate factual record that the employee's settlement was reduced to exclude any collateral source recovery for (i.e., workers' compensation) benefits. (Opinion by Dabney, J., with Campbell, P. J., and McDaniel, J., concurring.) *500

HEADNOTES

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Workers' Compensation § 125--Judicial Review--Jurisdiction-- Appealability of Order.

An order of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, remanding a case to the workers' compensation judge for a determination of the extent of the employer's credit rights against its injured employee's recovery in a related medical malpractice action settlement, was appealable even though the case was not final. The order followed the board's granting reconsideration of the judge's allowance of a credit.

[See Cal.Jur.3d, Work Injury Compensation, § 346.]

$(^{2a}, ^{2b}, ^{2c})$

Workers' Compensation § 84--Award--Credit for Payments by Third Party Tortfeasor--Settlement of Employee's Medical Malpractice Suit.

Under Civ. Code, § 3333.1, abrogating the collateral source rule in medical malpractice cases, a source of collateral benefits (e.g., an injured person's employer) is prevented not only from obtaining reimbursement from a plaintiff but also from obtaining credit against future benefits it owes the plaintiff. Section 3333.1 thus creates an exception to the credit provisions of Lab. Code, §§ 3858 and 3861 (relating to employer's rights against injured employee's other recovery), whenever an injured employee has demonstrably had such recovery reduced to reflect collateral source (e.g., workers' compensation) contributions. The reduction may have been effected after trial or by settlement.

[See Cal.Jur.3d, Work Injury Compensation, §§ 370, 371.]

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Courts § 40.5--Doctrine of Stare Decisis--Opinions of California Courts of Appeal--Noncitable Decisions.

In litigation before the Court of Appeal, it was improper under Cal. Rules of Court, rules 976(d) and 977(a), for a party to cite an appellate decision that was reported but which had thereafter been granted review by the Supreme Court. Even though the Supreme Court subsequently dismissed review, it did not order the opinion published pursuant to rule 976(d), and it therefore remained

noncitable under rule 977(a).

[See Cal.Jur.3d (Rev), Courts, § 188.]

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Statutes § 30--Construction--Language--Literal Interpretation.

Once a particular legislative intent has been ascertained as to a statute it must be given effect even though it may not be consistent with the ***501** strict letter of the statute. The courts resist blind obedience to the putative "plain meaning" of a statutory phrase where literal interpretation would defeat the Legislature's central objective.

[See Cal.Jur.3d, Statutes, § 99; Am.Jur.2d, Statutes, § 207, 208.]

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Healing Arts and Institutions § 53--Judgment and Damages--Abrogation of Collateral Source Rule--Purpose.

The general purpose of the Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act of 1975 and, in particular of Civ. Code, § 3333.1, abrogating the collateral source rule in medical malpractice cases, is to protect California's health care delivery system by reducing the cost of medical malpractice insurance.

[See Cal.Jur.3d, Healing Arts and Institutions, § 185.]

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DABNEY, J.

In his petition for writ of review, John B. Graham contends that respondent Workers' Compensation Appeals Board (Board) exceeded its power when it granted the petition of respondent Orange County Transit District (Transit District) for credit against Graham's workers' compensation award for a settlement Graham received in a malpractice action. This case presents an issue of first impression as to how the credit provisions of Labor Code sections 3858 and 3861 should be construed in light of the subsequent enactment of Civil Code section 3333.1 as part of the Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act of 1975 (MICRA). Specifically, we are asked to determine whether Civil Code section 3333.1 overrides the employer's right to credit when an employee settles,

Factual and Procedural Background

In April 1983, Graham, a bus driver employed by the Transit District, was injured in a bus accident in the course of his employment. The Transit District was self-insured for workers' compensation. In July 1983, Graham filed an application with the Board for the adjudication of his claim for medical treatment and permanent disability benefits.

Graham also filed a civil action against Dr. Peter Macs (later amended to the Estate of Macs) seeking damages for medical malpractice in Dr. Macs's treatment of Graham for the injuries he sustained in the bus accident. The medical malpractice action was settled by payment to Graham of \$150,000 less attorney's fees and costs. The trial judge found that the settlement was entered in good faith and was limited to damages for pain and suffering. Graham dismissed his cause of action against Dr. Macs for special damages.

The Transit District then petitioned for credit, in the amount of the settlement, against the Transit District's liability for future workers' compensation payments to Graham. The Transit District alleged that Graham's injuries were proximately caused, in part, by Dr. Macs's negligence. In opposition to the petition for credit, Graham's counsel submitted a declaration which stated that he indicated to the court at the settlement conference that Graham's medical expenses and disability would not be considered in the settlement because the defense would introduce evidence that workers' compensation benefits would pay those damages.¹ The workers' compensation judge allowed the requested credit.

Graham filed a petition for reconsideration with the Board on the ground that the malpractice settlement was not subject to credit. The workers' compensation judge issued a report and recommendation in which he stated that his original decision was in error and that he should have denied the *503 credit. The Board granted reconsideration. In its order, the Board stated that Civil Code section 3333.1 does not preclude the Transit District from asserting a credit against Graham's settlement. However, the Board ruled that because the malpractice did not cause the injury, but only enhanced or exacerbated it, the employer's credit should be limited to the workers' compensation benefits attributable to the exacerbation. Therefore, the Board remanded the cause for the workers'

compensation judge to determine the extent of the Transit District's credit rights.

Discussion

Appellate Jurisdiction

The Board stated in its order on Graham's petition for reconsideration that Civil Code section 3333.1 does not preclude the Transit District from asserting a credit against the settlement Graham obtained in his malpractice action. (¹) The Board's determination of this threshold issue is an appealable order, even though the case is not final. (Lab. Code, § 5950; *Safeway Stores, Inc. v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd.* (1980) 104 Cal.App.3d 528, 531 [163 Cal.Rptr. 750].)

Statutory Overview

Workers' Compensation Subrogation Statutes. Labor 3850 through 3864 contain a sections Code comprehensive subrogation scheme which includes both credit provisions² and reimbursement provisions.³ The reimbursement provisions provide several methods for the employer (or its workers' compensation carrier) to recover from a third party tortfeasor workers' compensation benefits which the employer has already paid to the injured employee. (Witt v. Jackson (1961) 57 Cal.2d 57, 69 [17 Cal.Rptr. 369, 366 P.2d 641], modified on other grounds by *504 Rodgers v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd. (1984) 36 Cal.3d 330, 340 [204 Cal.Rptr. 403, 682 P.2d 1068] and Associated Construction, & Engineering Co. v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd. (1978) 22 Cal.3d 829 [150 Cal.Rptr. 888, 587 P.2d 684].) The credit provisions allow the employer to discontinue workers' compensation benefit payments until the amount of the benefits exceeds the amount of the employee's net recovery from the third party, to the extent the employer became liable for additional workers' compensation payments as a result of the malpractice. (Hodge v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd. (1981) 123 Cal.App.3d 501, 509, 513-515 [176 Cal.Rptr. 675].)

The subrogation provisions prevent a double recovery to an employee who makes both a workers' compensation claim and a claim against a third party tortfeasor and provide for reimbursement to the employer for workers' compensation benefits paid to the employee. (*Van Nuis v. Los Angeles Soap Co.* (1973) 36 Cal.App.3d 222, 229 [111 Cal.Rptr. 398].)

Abrogation of Collateral Source Rule and Employer's Subrogation in MICRA. Under the traditional collateral source rule, a jury may not consider the plaintiff's entitlement to benefits such as medical insurance or disability payments when the jury calculates the plaintiff's damages in a tort action. However, as part of MICRA, the Legislature enacted Civil Code section 3333.1 which abrogated the collateral source rule in medical malpractice actions.⁴

The California Supreme Court has explained: "Under [Civil Code] section 3333.1, subdivision (a), a medical malpractice defendant is permitted to introduce evidence of such collateral source benefits received by or payable to the plaintiff; ... Although section 3333.1, subdivision (a) ... does not specify how the jury should use such evidence, the Legislature apparently assumed that in most cases the jury would set plaintiff's damages at a lower level because of its awareness of plaintiff's 'net' collateral source benefits. [¶] In addition, section 3333.1, subdivision (b) provides that whenever such collateral source evidence is introduced, the source of those benefits is precluded from obtaining subrogation either from the plaintiff or from the medical malpractice defendant." (Fein v. Permanente Medical Group (1985) 38 Cal.3d 137, 164-165 [211 Cal.Rptr. 368, 695 P.2d 665].)

Application of Civil Code Section 3333.1 to an Employer's Claim for Credit. (^{2a}) The Transit District contends that it was entitled to credit *505 against the settlement under Labor Code sections 3858 and 3861. Civil Code section 3333.1, subdivision (b) states: "No source of collateral benefits ... shall recover any amount against the plaintiff" The Transit District argues that the words of the statute indicate only that a source of collateral benefits may not obtain reimbursement from a plaintiff, but does not restrict an employer's right to obtain credit for future benefits.

The resolution of this issue is a matter of first impression in the credit context. However, we find significant guidance in resolving this issue in cases in which California courts have resolved the analogous statutory conflict in the reimbursement context.

In *Miller v. Sciaroni* (1985) 172 Cal.App.3d 306, 311 [218 Cal.Rptr. 219] the trial court sustained a demurrer to the employer's complaint in intervention in which the employer sought to assert a claim for reimbursement under Labor Code section 3852 for workers'

compensation benefits paid to the employee. The Court of Appeal affirmed. It explained, "The purpose underlying subdivision (a) is to preclude the double recovery permitted to plaintiffs by the operation of the collateral source rule, under the assumption that the trier of fact will reduce the damage award by amounts already reimbursed. [Citations.] Such a reduction in fact occurred in the instant case. Presumably the awards reduced under the operation of subdivision (a) would in turn have a favorable impact on medical malpractice insurance rates for health care providers. [Citations.]

"Under subdivision (b) of section 3333.1, the collateral source is barred from subrogating plaintiff's claim against defendant. However, Labor Code section 3852, ... permits employers to subrogate plaintiff's claims against the tortfeasor as to benefits conferred, less any amount attributable to the employer's negligence. ... By necessary implication this conflict in statutes must be resolved in favor of section 3333.1 as the most recently enacted statute. (Fuentes v. Workers' Comp. Appeals Bd. (1976) 16 Cal.3d 1, 7 [...].) Furthermore, 'the legislative history of section 3333.1, subdivision (b) indicates quite clearly that this provision was intended to prevail over other statutory subrogation provisions, such as Labor Code section 3852. An earlier draft of subdivision (b) would have preserved a collateral source's subrogation rights when such rights were "expressly provided by statute," but that exception was eliminated before the statute's enactment.' (Barme v. Wood [(1984) 37 Cal.3d 174, 178, fn. 4 (207 Cal.Rptr. 816, 689 P.2d 446)].) It is clear, then, that where Labor Code section 3852 and Civil Code section 3333.1 are in conflict, the latter must prevail.

"In terms of the overall legislative purpose of reducing the cost of medical malpractice insurance to health care providers so as to minimize adverse ***506** impact on potential health care consumers, subdivision (b) functions by redistributing certain costs from the malpractice insurer, who continues to bear the general damage risk, to other third party indemnitors, who thus bear many special damage risks. [Citations.]

"In summary, then, Civil Code section 3333.1 is directed towards reducing defendant's medical malpractice insurance costs by: (1) encouraging lower awards to plaintiffs by admitting evidence of benefits received (subd. (a)); and (2) prohibiting third party insurers from subrogating plaintiff's rights as to benefits received, thus reallocating certain costs from defendant's insurer to other insurance carriers (subd. (b))." (*Miller, supra*, 172 Cal.App.3d at pp. 310-312, fn. omitted.)

The court's analysis in Miller, applying Civil Code

section 3333.1 to an employer's claim for reimbursement, applies equally to an employer's claim for credit. Moreover, the California Supreme Court noted in Fein that the medical malpractice defendant may introduce evidence of benefits received by or payable to the plaintiff, and that the Legislature assumed that the jury would reduce the plaintiff's damages to reflect such benefits. (Fein, supra, 38 Cal.3d at pp. 164-165.) The court explained that Civil Code section 3333.1, subdivision (b) assures that the malpractice plaintiff "... will suffer no 'double deduction' from his tort recovery as a result of his receipt of collateral source benefits; ... [and that] any reduction in malpractice awards that may result from the jury's consideration of the plaintiff's collateral source benefits will inure to [the malpractice defendant] rather than to the benefit of the collateral source." (Id., at p. 165.)

If we construe the statute as the Transit District urges, and allow the employer credit from an already reduced recovery, the injured employee, not the medical malpractice defendant or the employer, would bear the cost of the medical malpractice to the extent of the workers' compensation benefits. In effect, the higher the workers' compensation benefits to which the employee is entitled, the lower his overall recovery. Such a construction of the credit provisions of the Labor Code is inconsistent with article XIV, section 4 of the California Constitution, which declares protection of injured employees through а comprehensive workers' compensation scheme to be the public policy of the State, and with Labor Code section 3202 which requires the workers' compensation statutes to be construed liberally to protect workers' benefits. The Legislature clearly intended a different result in enacting MICRA. Thus, the sensible interpretation of Civil Code 3333.1 is that it includes the employer's credit remedies as well as its reimbursement remedies.

Application of Civil Code Section 3333.1 to Cases Which Are Settled Rather Than Tried. The Transit District next contends that even if *507 Civil Code section 3333.1 applies in general to the credit sections of the Labor Code, it does not apply under the circumstances of this case. The Transit District asserts that under the clear and unambiguous language of the statute, the employer's right to credit is not affected unless there is a trial at which the medical malpractice defendant introduces evidence of workers' compensation benefits. (³)(See fn. 5.) Here, the medical malpractice action was settled rather than tried.⁵

(^{2b}) Graham counters that the conditions for invoking the statute were met in this case where counsel acknowledged in settlement discussions that Graham was entitled to

workers' compensation benefits and did not include such benefits in computing the settlement. Moreover, the parties stipulated at the settlement conference to dismiss the claims for special damages. The settlement thus did not include any sum for past or future medical costs or economic loss, on the assumption that Graham had been compensated for such loss by his "collateral source," the workers' compensation carrier.

It is a cardinal rule of statutory construction that courts will choose that interpretation which most nearly effectuates the purpose of the Legislature. (Code Civ. Proc., § 1859.) (⁴) "Once a particular legislative intent has been ascertained, it must be given effect "even though it may not be consistent with the strict letter of the statute." [Citation.]" (Southland **Mechanical** Constructors, Corp. v. Nixen (1981) 119 Cal.App.3d 417, 430 [173 Cal.Rptr. 917].) "The courts resist blind obedience to the putative 'plain meaning' of a statutory phrase where literal interpretation would defeat the Legislature's central objective." (Leslie Salt Co. v. San Francisco Bay Conservation etc. Com. (1984) 153 Cal.App.3d 605, 614 [200 Cal.Rptr. 575], fn. omitted.)

Legislative history indicates that MICRA "... was enacted in response to the medical malpractice insurance crisis against a background of legislative and gubernatorial belief that skyrocketing malpractice insurance rates would have a severe detrimental impact on California's health delivery ***508** system, particularly as regards medically indigent and low-income California residents. [Citations.] (⁵) The purpose of the legislation in general, then, and of section 3333.1 in particular, is to protect California's health care delivery system by reducing the cost of medical malpractice insurance." (*Miller* v. *Sciaroni*, *supra*, 172 Cal.App.3d at pp. 309-310.)

In Barme v. Wood, supra, 37 Cal.3d 174, the California Supreme Court recognized that the damage-reducing effect of Civil Code section 3333.1 comes into play even if the procedures set forth in the statute are not followed. In Barme, the court upheld a summary judgment on a complaint in intervention filed by the employer seeking credit in an employee's medical malpractice case. There was no trial, no evidence of collateral source benefits was introduced, and a jury never considered the issue. The defendants had merely filed "a document indicating their intention to introduce [evidence of workers' compensation benefits] in the malpractice action." (Id., at p. 178, fn. 3.) Nonetheless, the California Supreme Court upheld the summary judgment, recognizing that the practical effect of section 3333.1 is to reduce the plaintiff's recovery in any medical malpractice case where collateral source benefits are payable, regardless of whether the plaintiff obtains recovery in trial or otherwise.

 $(^{2c})$ If we were to interpret the statute to require a trial before the employer is precluded from seeking credit or reimbursement, plaintiffs would be forced to try their cases unless medical malpractice defendants agreed to settle for sums sufficient to cover employers' costs. The legislative history of MICRA reflects deep concern with the cost of litigation. We cannot construe the collateral source benefit rules in a way that would discourage settlements and thus defeat the major purpose of the legislation.

To harmonize Civil Code section 3333.1 with the Labor Code credit provisions, we interpret section 3333.1 as impliedly creating an exception to the credit provisions whenever an injured party has demonstrably had his recovery reduced to reflect collateral source contributions. A more restrictive construction would shift a portion of the costs of medical malpractice to the injured party, contrary to the purposes of both MICRA and the workers' compensation statutes. In this case, the parties in the underlying medical malpractice case made an adequate factual record that Graham's settlement was reduced to exclude any recovery for collateral source benefits.

Employer's Right to Credit Against Settlement Which Covers Only Pain and Suffering Damages. Because we decide that Civil Code section 3333.1 precludes the employer's claim for credit, we need not consider Graham's additional contention that the employer may not obtain credit for damages ***509** limited to pain and suffering which do not duplicate the employee's workers' compensation benefits for medical expenses and disability.

Disposition

The order of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board is annulled.

Campbell, P. J., and McDaniel, J., concurred.

Respondents' petition for review by the Supreme Court was denied July 20, 1989. Panelli, J., was of the opinion that the petition should be granted. ***510**

Footnotes

1 The transcript of the trial court proceedings states: "[Counsel for Graham]: We have settled the claims against Dr. Macs and the estate of Dr. Macs in the amount of \$150,000 new money. We have agreed that plaintiff will dismiss any and all claims for special damages in exchange for joint waiver of cost, waiver of cost from the defense.

"It is understood between the parties that the payment of \$150,000 represents the special or the general damages of pain and suffering by Mr. Graham as a result of the alleged malpractice in the case.

"[Counsel for the Estate of Dr. Macs]: That \$150,000 is being paid to compensate for the general damages and all claims for special damages are being dismissed in exchange for waiver of cost. ... [A]nd there's a stipulation that the settlement is a good faith settlement.

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"The Court: I do find that the settlement in all respects is a good faith and equitable settlement, and it is approved by the Court. And that settlement is for pain and suffering as well as future pain and suffering as a result of the action filed in this case, and that the settlement is fair in all respects."

2 Labor Code section 3858 provides: "After payment of litigation expenses and attorneys' fees fixed by the court ... and payment of the employer's lien, the employer shall be relieved from the obligation to pay further compensation to or on behalf of the employee ... up to the entire amount of the balance of the judgment, if satisfied, without any deduction. No satisfaction of such judgment in whole or in part, shall be valid without giving the employer notice and a reasonable opportunity to perfect and satisfy his lien."

Labor Code section 3861 provides: "The appeals board is empowered to and shall allow, as a credit to the employer to be applied against his liability for compensation, such amount of any recovery by the employee for his injury, either by settlement or after judgment, as has not theretofore been applied to the payment of expenses or attorneys' fees, ... or has not been applied to reimburse the employer."

- 3 The reimbursement sections, which are not at issue in this case, allow the employer to bring an action directly against a third party tortfeasor (Lab. Code, § 3852), intervene in an action brought by the employee (Lab. Code, § 3853) or obtain a lien against a judgment obtained by the employee (Lab. Code, § 3856, subd. (b)).
- 4 Civil Code section 3333.1 states: "(a) In the event the defendant so elects, in an action for personal injury against a health care provider based upon professional negligence, he may introduce evidence of any amount payable as a benefit to the plaintiff as a result of the personal injury pursuant to ... any ... worker's compensation act

"(b) No source of collateral benefits introduced pursuant to subdivision (a) shall recover any amount against the plaintiff nor shall it be subrogated to the rights of the plaintiff against a defendant."

5 The Transit District primarily relies on *McCall v. WCAB* (Cal.App. H000864). In *McCall*, on facts similar to those in this case, the appellate court ruled that Civil Code section 3333.1 did not bar an employer's claim for credit against the employee's settlement recovery. The Supreme Court granted review of that case in July 1986, but subsequently dismissed review. Under rule 976(d) of the California Rules of Court, "Unless otherwise ordered by the Supreme Court, no opinion superseded by a grant of review ... shall be published. After granting review, after decision, or after dismissal of review and remand as improvidently granted, the Supreme Court may order the opinion of the Court of Appeal published in whole or in part." The Supreme Court did not order publication of the *McCall* case. Rule 977(a) of the California Rules of Court states: "An opinion that is not ordered published shall not be cited or relied on by a court or a party in any other action or proceeding" Thus, it was improper for the Transit District to cite *McCall*, and we do not consider *McCall* in our disposition of this matter.

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