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All the best - Janet McCrossen, Risk Manager



Between The Rock And The Hard Place By Lewis Sharps, MD, FACS



Storm Clouds on the Horizon

In the last newsletter, I discussed the reasoning behind anticipating the beginning of a new Medical Malpractice Crisis.

This assumption was predicated upon a review of the Diederich Data which documented that Total National Payouts for Medical Malpractice Settlements had declined every year since 2003 until 2012. Since 2012 Total National Medical Malpractice Payouts have increased for 3 (three) consecutive years... **READ MORE.**



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South Carolina Supreme Court Overturns Ban on Physician Employment of Physical Therapists

The South Carolina Supreme Court has decided a case with great significance in the health care industry. The court overturned a ban on physicians employing physical therapists and gave guidance regarding how state agencies make rules. The 9/17/16 ruling in Joseph v. SC Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (2016) reversed the Sloan decision which ruled that a "PT employed by a physician who refers patients to the therapist is, in essence, dividing, transferring, or assigning" fees. The court said that was a violation of law...**READ MORE.**



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