

Pandemic Malpractice Issues

Summary: In this Hippo Education short, Dr. Matthew DeLaney and Dr. Michael Weinstock sit down to discuss the threat of lawsuits in the midst of the COVID pandemic. The last thing anyone wants to think about is the risk of a lawsuit. Unfortunately, despite the extra challenges posed by our current pandemic, the threat of medicolegal consequences remains. In this segment, we evaluate the unique medicolegal risks that can occur during disaster situations and look at potential sources of medicolegal protection.

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