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# Medical Malpractice: Understanding The Law, Managing The Risk





## Synopsis

This textbook is about the law of medical malpractice and how to prevent a malpractice lawsuit. It grew out of an earlier book covering medical negligence in Singapore. The bookâ <sup>™</sup>s primary goal is to provide a clear and simple explanation of the American law of medical malpractice, informed consent and risk management. Written with the clinician in mind, it is legally uncomplicated without being overly simplistic. The book is as much about medicine as it is about law; above all, it is about patients. It is written with the fervent belief that with better education, there will emerge a better appreciation of the expectations of the patient â " often unmet â " and the standards of the legal system â " often misunderstood. Fewer lawsuits and improved patient care will hopefully follow. The book is in five sections. The first covers the law of malpractice and informed consent while the second covers risk management with chapters on confidentiality, communication and risk management tips. Section III is a single chapter on reforming the system, and discusses both medical and legal proposals. The subject of tort reforms is covered in this chapter. A review section consisting of 35 multiple choice questions and answers constitutes Section IV. The book concludes with a glossary of legal terms.

### **Book Information**

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Excellent book. I disagree with the previous person who wrote a negative review because he is looking for something else in this book. This book serves as an introduction to Medical malpractice, not a step by step guide to handle a malpractice law suite. I recommand this book to all medical

I was very disappointed with Medical Malpractice: Understanding the Law. The book was more intent on preaching about malpractice reform than on explaining steps we can take to limit the chances we get sued for medical malpractice. I must say that I found another book--entitled PHYSICIAN, PROTECT THYSELF--a much better reference regarding the prevention of malpracice lawsuits. I just purchased another copy and sent it along with my daughter to medical school. We need more resources out there to guide us through the ins and outs of a world we never really want to enter but are forced to live in.

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