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Reading Medical Records: A Primer for Attorneys

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Cost: No speaking fee; Travel expenses are appreciated

Summary:

This is a 60-65 minute presentation that reviews several different types of medical records.

The records included in the presentation follow an abusive head trauma case and highlight not only what is in the records but also what is missing. The purpose of the presentation is to assist criminal defense attorneys in focusing their review of medical records and to highlight the records that contain the information that defense attorneys are commonly seeking.

Highlights

1. Introduction
2. Discharge Summary, H&P, Consults
 - a. Review of records that summarize the patient's care while in the hospital
3. Emergency Department Reports
 - b. Review of the types of records and what parts to look at for critical information
 - c. Brief review of labs
4. Surgery and Radiology
 - d. How to read operative reports
 - e. Where to find the information you need on XRay and CT Scan reports
5. Transport Records
 - f. How to tell the difference between Prehospital (911 providers) and Interfacility transports and why they're important
6. Medications and Orders
 - g. When is a drug actually given and why orders can be confusing
7. University Park Legal Nurse Consulting Services
 - h. What we do, how it helps and why it's cheaper.
 - i. Case examples