

MEMO TO DOCTORS ON STRIKE

**This is Francis Sosa
(and his Mom)**



**And His Medical Malpractice
Case Was Not Frivolous**

Francis has sickle cell disease. He was a vibrant, playful young boy of 7 when he had a sickle cell crisis. He was taken to a Bronx hospital. Francis needed an exchange transfusion - but he didn't get it. As a result, he ended up brain damaged.

Francis is 19 now. He is wheelchair bound. He is fed thru a tube. He breathes thru a tube. He can't move but he knows his family. He likes to watch TV.

Our Medical Malpractice Team brought a lawsuit for Francis. Our Trial Team called three nationally renowned medical doctors as expert witnesses. They testified that medical malpractice caused Francis' injuries.

After 16 days of trial, a thoughtful, conservative Bronx jury awarded Francis \$20.8 Million. Of that amount, \$11 Million was for Francis' lifetime of pain, suffering and loss of enjoyment of life. \$11 Million - some insurance executives and doctors earn that much in a few years.

But the doctors and insurance executives think that's too much. The legislation they support would "cap" Francis' pain and suffering at \$250,000 for his entire life.

Our Jury System Isn't Broken

We Don't Need New Laws To Protect Negligent Doctors and Hospitals

In New York, we have smart, savvy jurors who listen to all the evidence and then render verdicts. We also have a superb appellate court system which reviews those verdicts. The same is true throughout the United States. Congress should not deprive malpractice victims of their constitutional right to a trial by jury.

How to Solve the Medical Malpractice Insurance Crisis

Why not limit the enormous insurance company profits? Why not put a "cap" on the earnings of doctors and insurance company executives?

Better yet, why not demand that all hospitals know how to treat a kid with sickle cell crisis? But please don't try to solve the problem by telling kids like Francis that their lives are worth only \$250,000. That's just not fair.



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