

Safety/Malpractice Program

Overview for the
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Organizational Components

- Safety - Medical Center
- Claims Management - Legal Affairs
- University Risk - University Administration
 - Insurance Product
- Medical Service Plan – College of Medicine
- Action Group – Multidisciplinary Management Group

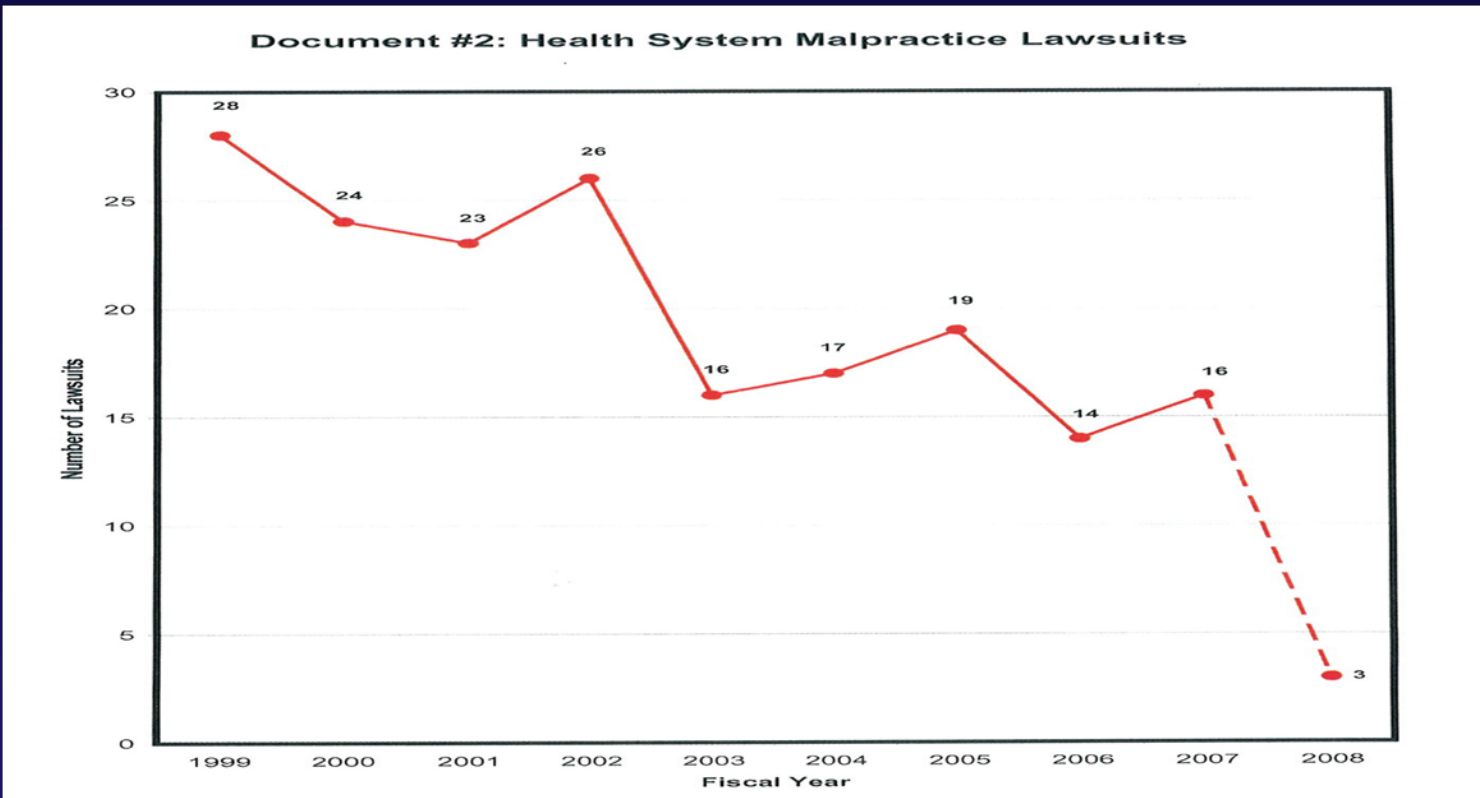
Organizational Process

- **Clinical Event Misadventure => Occurrence**
- **Occurrence => Evaluation by Safety**
 - Root Cause Analysis
 - Safety Improvements
 - Full Disclosure if “clear error”
- **Potentially Compensable Event => Claims**
 - Evaluates the potential/sets reserves
 - Assigns claim/suit to outside legal counsel
 - Gets outside medical opinions to evaluate the case

Process

- **Claims => Action Group**
- **Action Group Recommendation => Claims**
 - **Immediate Settlement within approval limits**
 - **To Board for recommendation & discussion of whether to pursue trial or settlement**
 - **If Trial: Outside Counsel, supervised by Claims**
 - **If Settlement: Settlement Negotiations initiated; if reach agreement within acceptable range, matter returns to Board for approval**

Claims Data



Verdict Results since 2007

Defense verdicts = 12

Plaintiff verdicts = 2

Total ask of jury in defense verdict cases: \$61,735,368

Total of last settlement demands: \$27,215,000

Total paid by University Self Insurance Plan : \$4,952,394