

Fall: Nursing Home Did Not Secure Bed From Rolling.

A long-term care facility in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania recently paid an out-of-court settlement of \$450,000 for a patient who fell and broke her hip.

The patient died of unrelated causes and the settlement was actually paid to her family via her probate estate.

The patient reportedly landed on the floor after her bed slipped out from under as she tried to sit on it.

The wheels apparently were not locked. Better yet, it was alleged, the bed should have been situated against the opposite wall so it would have nowhere to go. **Derobio v. Manorcare, 2008 WL 4900966 (Allegheny Co., Pennsylvania, July 1, 2008).**