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## What if you sue wrong NYC agency in your Medical Malprac- tice Case?

You've suffered a horrible injury at one of the municipal hospitals here in the greater New York metro area. Now you learn that your attorney filed the lawsuit against the city of New York, believing that that's the correct legal entity for these municipal hospitals. It turns out it's not. Do you want to know what's going to happen to your case? Come join me for a moment as I share with you some really important information.

Hi. I'm Gerry Oginski. I'm a New York Medical Malpractice and Personal Injury attorney practicing law here in the state of New York. If you bring a lawsuit against the city of New York for injuries that you suffered as a result of improper medical care at a municipal hospital like Jacobi hospital, or Bellevue hospital, or Queens General hospital, or Kings County hospital, or Elmhurst hospital, guess what? If you sued the city of New York, your case will get dismissed. Do you know when the defense is going to turn around and ask the Judge to dismiss your case? After it's already too late for you to go ahead and bring a new lawsuit against the correct legal entity.

What is the correct legal entity? It's known as the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. For short, they use the initials NYCHHC. If you don't bring a lawsuit against that legal entity, your case will ultimately be dismissed and if the time in which you normally have to file a lawsuit against the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation is gone, has expired, you're out of luck. Now you've got a big, big problem. Anytime you suffer injury as a result of improper medical care at one of the municipal hospitals in the greater New York Metropolitan area, in the five Burroughs of New York City,

the correct legal entity to bring a claim is the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation.

By the way, you should know you can't automatically bring a lawsuit against them. There's a process by which you have to file a notice of claim first to put them on notice, that basically says, "Hey New York City Health and Hospitals, just want to let you know we're bringing a claim and here's some of the details about our particular claim." The attorneys for the health system, the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, then have an opportunity to question you at a mini hearing. In law we call that a 50H hearing. Only then do you have a certain period of time in which to file a lawsuit against the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation.

I recognize you've got questions or concerns about your particular problem. If your matter did happen here in New York and you're thinking about bringing a lawsuit, but you have legal questions, what I encourage you to do is pick up the phone and call me. I can answer your legal questions. This is something I do every single day. I'd love to chat with you. You can reach me at 516.487.8207 or by email at [Gerry@Oginski-law.com](mailto:Gerry@Oginski-law.com). That's it for today's video. I'm Gerry Oginski, have a wonderful day.