

## GMV Law Group Addresses Rising Medical Debt Crisis Facing Personal Injury Victims

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GMV Law Group, a prominent personal injury firm serving the Kennesaw area, is highlighting concerning trends in medical billing practices that leave accident victims facing substantial financial burdens despite having valid injury claims. The firm reports that medical debt from accident-related treatment has become a leading cause of financial distress for injury victims in Cobb County, with many patients unaware of their rights regarding hospital billing and insurance settlements.

Recent data from Cobb County healthcare facilities reveals that emergency room charges for uninsured accident victims can reach ten times the standard negotiated rates that insurance companies typically pay. These inflated charges often surprise patients who discover that hospitals bill accident victims at full rack rates rather than the discounted rates negotiated with insurance providers.

"We're seeing more clients come to us already drowning in medical debt before their cases even begin," said Alan L. Grinberg, partner at GMV Law Group. "Many don't realize that in Georgia, medical providers can place liens on their personal injury settlements, and these bills continue accruing interest while their cases are pending. The system often works against the very people who need help most."

A particularly troublesome practice involves balance billing, where hospitals bill patients directly for amounts that insurance companies refuse to cover. This practice leaves accident victims responsible for thousands of dollars in unexpected medical expenses, even when another party caused their injuries. Additionally, many victims discover too late that their health insurance companies can demand reimbursement from their settlements through subrogation rights.

Under Georgia law, accident victims remain responsible for their medical bills regardless of who caused the accident. The state's collateral source rule prevents at-fault parties from reducing their liability simply because a victim has insurance coverage. This legal framework, combined with aggressive hospital billing practices, creates a perfect storm of financial pressure for injury victims.

The timeline for financial impact can be swift and severe. Medical bills can begin affecting credit scores within 60 to 90 days of becoming delinquent, long before many personal injury cases reach resolution. Georgia law allows medical providers to place liens on personal injury settlements, meaning victims may see substantial portions of their compensation go directly to healthcare providers rather than covering their ongoing needs and recovery.

For those seeking legal representation, finding an experienced Kennesaw personal injury lawyer who understands both the medical billing landscape and Georgia's complex lien laws has become increasingly critical. The intersection of medical debt and personal injury law requires specialized knowledge to protect victims' financial interests while pursuing fair compensation.

GMV Law Group has recovered millions of dollars for clients throughout Georgia, operating on a contingency fee basis with no upfront costs to clients. The firm handles various personal injury cases including auto accidents, medical malpractice, premises liability, and workers' compensation claims. With offices serving the greater Atlanta area including Cobb County, the firm provides comprehensive legal representation for injury victims navigating both their physical recovery and the complex financial aftermath of accidents.

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