

Options if You've Been the Victim of a Negligent Nursing Home

[Nursing home abuse neglect](#) cases sometimes involve some truly horrific circumstances. When elderly people end up being victimized in a nursing home, they're being victimized by the very people who are charged with taking care of their medical needs. This means that, in some cases, elderly people end up being grievously injured because of not being given the proper treatment or because of being given treatments in ways other than the doctors ordered. If your family has been the victim of a negligent nursing home, you don't have to feel like you don't have any options. Even if you don't have money, you still might be able to file a lawsuit for compensation.

Hiring a Lawyer

Hiring a lawyer doesn't require that you have enough money to pay them up front. In fact, some attorneys work on what is called a contingency agreement. This is an agreement where the attorney works for you without charging you any upfront fees at all. In fact, they won't charge you anything if they fail to win your claim.

An attorney who works in this way can win your case in two ways. First, they may end up getting a jury award by going to court and arguing your claim. Second, they may be able to win your case by a settlement. A settlement is usually offered if the party you're suing believes that your claim is so strong that you're going to win for certain. They will sometimes offer a settlement to avoid having to pay court costs on top of paying whatever award a jury gives you.

Why Do People Sue?

People file lawsuits to get financial compensation for the injuries that their loved ones have suffered because of the negligent nursing home care they received. These costs can be extremely high. Particularly if your loved one required extensive treatment or if the worst happened and you lost someone, you may want to consider filing a lawsuit. There's no guarantee that you'll win, but they sometimes do end up paying out considerable sums in compensation to the family who was wronged.

[Nursing home mistreatment](#) is not something you have to put up with. If you have a loved one who is the victim of negligence in a nursing home, consider contacting an attorney and seeing if you have an option to file a lawsuit. You may not, but you won't know until you speak with an attorney.