Learning Unit 7 Discussion

Follow the discussion forum guidelines for student primary post and response to another student. Log on several times to see what others are writing and add to threaded message.

Begin your analysis by conducting a Google search using the term “pro con limiting malpractice awards.”

The following passage summarizes an important difference of opinion. After reading the statement, use the library and/or the Internet and find what knowledgeable people have said about the issue. Be sure to cover the entire range of views. Then assess the strengths and weakness of each if you conclude that one view is entirely correct and the others are mistaken, explain how you reached that conclusion. If, as is more likely, you find that one view is more insightful than the others but that they all make some valid points, construct a view of your own that combines the insights from all sides and explain why that view is the most reasonable of all. Present your response in a composition. Be sure cite your source of information in MLA style.

Should limits be placed on monetary awards in medical malpractice lawsuits? In recent decades juries have tended to add large “pain and suffering” amounts to damages awarded in court settlements. In response to this trend, legislators have proposed setting limits on the amounts juries can award. Proponents of this idea believe it would reduce the number of frivolous lawsuits, reduce health care costs, and keep good physicians from abandoning the practice of medicine. Opponents such legislation would deny justice to the injured and increase the likelihood of medical blunders.

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