

BRIJINDER KAHLON, et al.

Claimants,

and

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KAISER FOUNDATION HEALTH  
PLAN, INC., THE PERMANENTE  
MEDICAL GROUP, INC., KAISER  
FOUNDATION HOSPITAL, et al.

Respondents.

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Pursuant to the request of Respondent and in accord with Rule 38 a of the Office of the Independent Administrator's rules, we add the following to our arbitration award previously issued in this case.

Reasons for Decision:

Claimant, a female of elderly years and with a history of hypertension, was seen at the Kaiser emergency room on February 4, 2002. At the time, Claimant was experiencing increased heart rate, which had rectified itself.

On February 5, 2002, Claimant was again seen at the Kaiser emergency room. She was diagnosed with atrial fibrillation. The condition was rectified and she was released.

On February 6, 2002, Claimant was seen at the Kaiser clinic. The physician examining her noted possible paroxysmal atrial fibrillation. The physician failed to prescribe coumadin, but gave her aspirin instead.

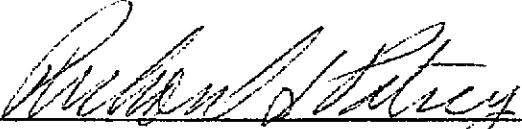
On February 12, 2002, Claimant was seen at the Kaiser clinic by another physician. Between February 6-12, Claimant had experienced repeated episodes of rapid heart beat. The physician failed to prescribe coumadin.

On February 18, 2002, Claimant suffered a right-sided stroke, and was then given coumadin.


Expert witnesses called by Claimant testified that the Kaiser's failure to prescribe coumadin to Claimant on February 6 and 12, 2002, constituted a

breach of the standard of care and proximately caused Claimant's stroke. While Respondent called expert witnesses who testified that no breach occurred and that any breach did not cause Claimant's stroke, we are persuaded by Claimant's expert witnesses. Accordingly we found the damages as set forth in our award issued earlier.

Dated: 9/28/04

  
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Hon. Richard L. Patsey (Ret.)  
Neutral Arbitrator

Dated: 9/27/04

  
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Eric Ivary, Esq.  
Party Arbitrator

Dated: Sept 27, 2004

  
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Ron Sproat, Esq.  
Party Arbitrator