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Chapter 2 Assignment

Medical law and ethics are one of the sensitive fields of law and ethics where one single mistake can give significant consequences to the people. These consequences can be highly fatal for life and any patient can face partial impairment from any of the senses or sometimes they may face paralysis of any of the body part because one small dosage of the wrong medicine can be highly fatal for the patients as the reaction of the bodies may variate from medicine to medicine in all aspects.

**Medical Civil case**

The civil medical cases are found all across the globe where the civil cases do occur, and they are not at such an extent where people can go far beyond limits, and the patient can face serious consequences. One of such incidents took place in Maryland Hospital where I John Hopkins Hospital an event took place. The medical servants were not performing their duties as per the standard of procedures, and there was negligence as well observed by various patients, and they failed to follow applicable rules of medical care on which the case was filed in local court1. These are considered as civil cases as the extent of the medical period is limited to the extent where the case is not that vitally strong.

**Medical Criminal Case**

The criminal cases that occur in the medical field are due to the negligence of the medical officers. These cases can cause severe penalties on the doctors as well as the hospital administration for committing a criminal act2. There is such an example of a hospital in Brisbane where Dr. Margaret Pearce accidentally gave the adult dosage of Morphine drug to the 15-month-old baby, and as a consequence, the child lost his battle against life in is deep sleep and he was unable to wake up ever again in this world. These cases are convicted as the criminal cases as they are violating the medical laws and ethics and this can cancel their medical license.

These cases are the example of a violation of the medical laws and ethics, and there are various other cases as well. These cases should be a learning example for all the medical officials so that they can be highly alert while performing their duties.

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