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Jury awards family \$1.87M

A Common Pleas jury yesterday awarded \$1,869,449 to the family of a woman who died in 2007 after an emergency-room doctor failed to diagnose her symptoms or test her for carbon-monoxide poisoning.



On two occasions the woman, Koulmara Chrol, went to Jeanes Hospital, where she was given medicine for headaches, vomiting and dizziness and discharged. She returned to her Cheltenham home where, several days later, on Jan. 30, 2007, two people were found dead and she was unconscious. Chrol, 44, was hospitalized with a severe brain injury and died about two weeks later.

Both Chrol and her son, Jemal Shatemirov, the plaintiff in the case, had visited Jeanes' emergency room complaining of similar symptoms. Both were sent home without blood tests ordered to check for carbon-monoxide poisoning, despite symptoms that indicated exposure.

The defendants were the hospital and the attending physician, Dana Mark Weber.