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Testimony:

I would like to thank you for this opportunity to express the issues which many go through when it comes to medical conditions which require medical treatment.

I PERSONALLY experienced medical neglect and medical malpractice at Bridgeport Correctional Center in 2020. Due to a basketball injury(Achilles), the medication (gabapentin), should've been stopped. Because it wasn't, my left leg ended up swelling u

17 and 1/2 inches. A nurse denied me medical attention not once but twice. After being seen by another nurse for my callouses, a nurse saw me, then called in another nurse, and that nurse called in the doctor. I ended up being rushed to the hospital ER.

With the same injury, the doctor felt it wasn't an emergency, to have a MRI for my Achilles. I explained that it was an emergency and that she needed to call UCONN health. She did so and after speaking with them told me that it was an emergency and that they needed to get me there sonar than later. Her malpractice made my injury worse and combined, the neglect and malpractice has me dealing with permanent damage.

To top it all off, I sued and the Claims Commissioner denied my claim after not showing up to my original court date, resulting in me receiving another court date. We then had the hearing which, as I stated, resulted in a denial. Reason being, my" informal resolution wasn't attached". This wasn't true! My informal resolution was indeed attached to my paperwork. I submitted the copies other paperwork and asked for a " reconsideration of judgement". That also was shot down.(denied)

I plan on not allowing this to be handled in the manners which things did. I don't want other to deal with these matters as I had to. It isn't fair or just! The medical department failed to provide me adequate medical attention and the Claims Commissioner failed to deal with my legal matters adequately as well, in my opinion.

Again, I'm thankful that I have the opportunity to voice this experience in this forum/platform. Its important that we inmates be treated well within the system. Thanks again!

Sincerely,
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