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Nursing Home Fined After Investigation Determines That Urinary Tract Infection Was Related To Poor Care

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The California Department of Health has rendered its most severe citation (AA) and a \$80,000 fine following an investigation into the death of an 86-year-old woman at Walnut Whitney Care Center (California). An investigation determined that the woman was admitted to the facility in March, 2008 for medical care related to injuries she sustained in a fall.

Just five weeks after her initial admission, the woman was transferred to a hospital emergency room where she diagnosed as having septic shock. Less than 24-hours after her hospital admission she died from resulting complications.

Specifically, the investigation determined that the nursing home failed to:

- Monitor the woman for developing a urinary tract infection
- Monitor the patient for dehydration
- Provide necessary fluids

Walnut Whitney is owned by Horizon West Healthcare. Earlier this year, a jury awarded the family of a deceased nursing home patient \$29.1 million in lawsuit premised upon elder abuse.

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