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## NorthShore agrees to pay \$35 million settlement in medical negligence case involving troubled obstetrician

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NorthShore University HealthSystem and one of its former doctors — who has a history of problems — have agreed to pay \$35 million to settle a lawsuit alleging the doctor was medically negligent when delivering a baby, leading to injuries and cerebral palsy, according to the plaintiff's attorney.

The health system, Dr. Fabio Ortega and the girl's family agreed to the settlement after a three-week-long trial over the case in Cook County Circuit Court, which resulted in a hung jury Friday.

Stephan Blandin, an attorney representing the family, said the money will help the family pay for their daughter's future care. The girl is now 7 years old and is expected to need care throughout her life. The Tribune is not naming the family at the family's request.

[Read more about the settlement here.](#)