

## Slip And Fall: Patient Needs No Expert.

The patient was admitted to a skilled nursing facility for a regimen of IV antibiotics for a bone infection.

He slipped and fell in the hallway where employees of the facility were stripping and re-waxing the floors.

The local county district court has not ruled one way or the other whether the facility was negligent.

The Court of Appeals of Texas has ruled it is not a healthcare liability case. The patient does not need an opinion from a medical expert to go forward with the case, even though it is a lawsuit for personal injuries against a healthcare facility where he was receiving medical treatment. **Dual D Healthcare v. Kenyon**, \_\_ S.W. 3d \_\_, 2009 WL 1844332 (Tex. App., June 29, 2009).