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Letter to the editor  
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Sir

**Re: NHS legal claims to cost £15b**

Most of us, at some point in our lives, will seek NHS treatment and care, and it is alarming to hear that the number of patients who fell victim to NHS negligence increased by 10 per cent over the past year.

Why are patients being harmed, and what is being done to prevent negligence?

Specialist lawyers are there to assist people whose lives have been devastated because of medical error and sub-standard treatment. If high standards of patient care and prevention of negligence are a priority, there will be fewer claims and less need for litigation.

Yours faithfully

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