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OFFICE OF STATE BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT**

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Floyd M. Lewis  
Revisor of Statutes

FROM: Charles Perusse *Charles Perusse*  
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SUBJECT: Reset of Liability Limit on Non-Economic Damages for Medical Malpractice

The Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) is resetting the limitation on damages for non-economic losses related to medical malpractice to \$562,338 as of January 1, 2020 in accordance with [N.C.G.S. 90-21.19](#).

Paragraph (a) of the statute mandates OSBM to update the current limit on non-economic damages of \$500,000 to account for inflation. The statute requires the reset on January 1<sup>st</sup> of every third year beginning with January 1, 2014. The statute also requires the Revisor of Statutes to publish the new limit in an editor's note to the statute.

Should you have any questions, please contact Anca Grozav, Assistant State Budget Officer for Economic and Demographic Analysis, at [anca.grozav@osbm.nc.gov](mailto:anca.grozav@osbm.nc.gov) or 984-236-0685.