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> Settlements

The estate for a baby who was not properly treated for jaundice settled his case against the hospital and doctors for \$7.75 million.

Luca Vaia was born in July 2000 at Elmhurst Hospital after a normal delivery; two days later, a nurse noted that he was slightly jaundiced, but when he was released to his parents, they were not told of his condition. Two days after his discharge, Luca was not nursing or sleeping well, and his parents brought him to the hospital emergency room, where he was found to be jaundiced and lethargic. He underwent an exchange transfusion at Loyola Hospital, but, according to the plaintiff's attorneys, the transfusion took place too late to avoid injuries. The child now suffers from delayed development, hearing loss, cerebral palsy, and spastic quadriplegia.

The family was represented by Barry R. Chavetz, Shawn S. Kasserman, and Margaret Power of **Corboy & Demetrio**. The defendants were represented by Shawn P. Clifford of **Hinshaw & Culbertson**; David C. Hall of **Hall Prangle & Schoonveld**; William F. Cunningham of **Cunningham, Meyer & Vedrine**; and Ruth Enright and Robert Baker of **Baker & Enright**.