

Rulings spell out specifics for peer review immunity

State supreme courts in Colorado and Nevada say peer review has to strive to improve quality of care if it wants to enjoy the protection that goes with the process.

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Two recent conflicting state supreme court decisions provide guidance as to when physicians serving on peer review boards can expect some protection from lawsuits filed by the colleagues they are reviewing.

Although the rulings were different, neither threatened the sanctity of peer review in most circumstances.