



# FATIGUE

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### MILESTONES IN THE HISTORY OF THE PROBLEM

#### The History Behind the New Standards

- 1984: Death of Libby Zion
- 1987: Bell Commission in NY
  - July 1, 1989 – All NY State Hospitals mandated to comply with new regulations
  - Applied to largest, highest volume departments
    - Anesthesia
    - Emergency Medicine
    - Family Practice
    - Medicine
    - Obstetrics
    - Pediatrics
    - Surgery
- 2001: OSHA petition/Association of American Medical Colleges to limit resident working hours
- 2001: Bills in both the Senate and the House to impose work-hour limits
- 2002: ACGME proposed duty-hour standards
- 2003: ACGME approved duty-hour standards
- 2003: Maggie's Law enacted in New Jersey, establishing driving while fatigued as recklessness under vehicular homicide statute
- 2003: ACGME duty-hour standards enacted