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Medical Injury Compensation Complications in New HIV Prevention Technologies in Africa

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ABSTRACT The study investigated complications associated with medical injury compensation in New HIV Prevention Technologies in Africa. The study looked at possibilities of liability in HIV infection during clinical trials and the legal resources that could be used in seeking medical injury compensation in resource poor communities in Africa. A survey of literature on medical injury compensation was used to highlight possibilities and complications associated with medical injury compensation in developing countries. An analysis of research findings on medical injury compensation indicated that it would be difficult for people who get infected with HIV in clinical trials trucessfully sue international organisations that sponsor New HIV Prevention Technologies in Africa. It is suggested in this study that African governments could use the no-fault approach in settling medical injury compensation claims in New HIV Prevention Technologies clinical trials.