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## SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA

NO. 2019-CC-1319

#### **BRENDA SCIO**

V.

# UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER MANAGEMENT CORPORATION d/b/a UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER NEW ORLEANS

# ON APPLICATION FOR SUPERVISORY WRITS TO THE COURT OF APPEAL, FOURTH CIRCUIT, PARISH OF ORLEANS

## PER CURIAM

Granted. Plaintiff's petition alleges defendant "was negligent in failing to implement an administrative policy setting forth the procedure for ensuring that follow-up appointments are communicated to patients" and "in failing to properly train administrators working in the mail department, and failing to ensure that administrators properly used the mailing computer programs and/or other comparable methods." The allegations of plaintiff's petition raise issues of administrative negligence rather than medical malpractice. *See, e.g., LaCoste v. Pendleton Methodist Hosp., LLC*, 07-0008 (La. 9/5/07), 966 So.2d 519 (finding a hospital's negligent administrative decision in failing to maintain emergency power and implement adequate evacuation plans did not relate to medical treatment or dereliction of professional skill).

Accordingly, the judgment of the district court sustaining defendant's exception of prematurity is reversed, and the exception is hereby denied. The case is remanded to the district court for further proceedings.