ASSAULTED WHILE ON DUTY



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"He rammed the door until it split down the middle."

I was a manager of a unit and was 6 months pregnant when a very large male patient, 6'4", 270 lbs, threw a large boombox at my head and then proceeded to chase me down the hall.

I made it into the medication room where he proceeded to ram the locked, solid wood door until it split down the middle.

Staff members were able to restrain him before he got to me but it was, by far, the scariest experience I have had as a nurse.

Assault is not part of the job.



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More than

26,000

workplace violence incidents led to injuries involving days away from work in 2014.

Women workers account for more than 2/3 of such injuries.

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics via AFL-CIO Death on the Job Report April 2016



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