

## **ASSAULTED** WHILE ON DUTY



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## **"I want to hit you AND MAKE YOU BLEED."**

I had an agitated patient, whom I was caring for. He wanted to be discharged to home, but he wasn't medically stable. On the evening of my fourth shift taking care of this patient he became extremely agitated.

He was pacing in his room and literally picked up the end of his hospital bed and slammed it to the floor. A Certified Nursing Assistant entered his room and he punched her in the stomach. She exited his room. He then threw his bedside urinal, full of urine, across the hall spilling urine on the wall, floor and hospital staff. The patient exited his room and approached me stating "I want to hit you and make you bleed."

# **Assault is not part of the job.**



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This is  
the



**successive year that  
injuries related to violence  
have increased.**

Source: AFL-CIO Death on the Job Report, April  
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