Woods told the symposium participants of another medical error situation, 10 years before, in which the physician had admitted the error and apologized. She noted that the physician had regretted the error and apologized to the family. She also noted that the family agreed to settle as they move forward with the resolution, due to the financial, terms.

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