

Family awarded \$5.5M in shooting near hospital

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PHILADELPHIA—A jury has awarded \$5.5 million to the family of a parking lot attendant killed outside Hahnemann University Hospital in Philadelphia.



The family of 18-year-old William Palmer sued the hospital in connection with the May 30, 2006, shooting death.

Investigators say Palmer was shot in the chest during a robbery and struggled to run into the hospital for help.

Testimony indicated that just six months before the shooting, a security company recommended that Hahnemann install bulletproof glass in the parking booth or make the parking garage automated.

Hahnemann issued a statement saying it is concerned about employees' safety but is disappointed with the verdict and is reviewing its legal options.