

**13-1115. Termination of physician-patient relation; abandonment.**

A doctor's duty to a patient who is in need of care continues until the doctor has withdrawn from the case. A doctor cannot abandon the patient who is in need of continuing care. A doctor can withdraw by giving the patient reasonable notice under the circumstances.

USE NOTES

This instruction should be given in conjunction with either UJI 13-1101 or 13-1102 NMRA when evidence is presented in support of plaintiff's claim that the doctor abandoned his care without giving reasonable notice under the circumstances.  
[As amended, effective January 1, 1987.]