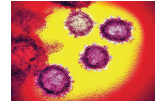




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Officials: Woman survives 80-foot fall at Squaw Peak

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GREAT BARRINGTON — A woman who fell 80 feet Saturday off a cliff at Squaw Peak in the Monument Mountain Reservation survived the fall, according to the Great Barrington Fire Department.

The department said the unidentified woman and her husband were hiking when she slipped while too close to the edge. Her husband called the Fire Department a little before 1 p.m. to report the accident.

The Fire Department flew a crew to the site.

The woman's husband hiked down the cliff to look for his wife while a fellow hiker stayed in place to assist rescuers, who rappeled down the embankment in order to locate her.

The woman was removed from the mountain at 5 p.m., officials said.

Said Fire Chief Charles Burger: "She was hung up about 80 feet down with multiple fractures but she was alert, conscious and talking to us."

Burger said he didn't know what hospital the woman was taken to.

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