

Types Of Cases Handled By Medical Malpractice Attorneys In Kansas City

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There are many types of medical malpractice claims handled by medical malpractice lawyers in Kansas City.

Diagnosis Errors.

When you go to a doctor, emergency room or hospital, the doctors have a duty to properly and accurately diagnose your medical condition. When diagnosing medical conditions doctors should use a differential diagnosis which means that they should consider the possible causes of your condition, and then scientifically rule out the most serious conditions, ultimately settling on the correct diagnosis. For example when you go to a doctor or emergency room with chest pain, the doctor must consider such conditions as heart attack, angina, or pulmonary embolism as possible diagnoses, rather than just sending you home with the diagnosis of chest cold or flu. Many cases of angina, heart attack, and pulmonary embolism have been misdiagnosed leading to serious injury and death because the healthcare providers failed to properly use and apply differential diagnosis. Failure to timely diagnose conditions such as heart disease, impending heart attack, pulmonary embolism, cancer, infections, and any other serious condition can lead to serious injury and death. Cancer must absolutely be correctly diagnosed in order for the patient to have the best chance to survive. If a doctor fails to diagnose your condition or the condition of your loved one, and injury, damage, or death results, you may have a valid medical malpractice claim.

Treatment Errors.

Treatment errors may involve 1) formulating an inappropriate and inadequate treatment plan, 2) improperly administering the treatment plan, and 3) failing to follow-up in order to determine that the treatment plan is working effectively. Once the doctor diagnoses a condition, an appropriate treatment plan must be diagnosed. For example, with infections, the appropriate antibiotic must be prescribed. Some infections are resistant to certain antibiotics and it is critical that the correct antibiotic

is prescribed or the infection will continue to grow, spread and cause damage. When the correct antibiotic is prescribed, it must be administered for an adequate period of time in order to eradicate the infection. Before the antibiotics are stopped or the patient is released from treatment, the physician should conduct proper follow-up and perform blood work in order to make sure that the infection has been eradicated. Failure to eradicate the infection will allow it to spread out of control, causing damage to the heart and internal organs. Whether the condition involves cancer, heart disease, infection, diseases of the bones and joints, or for that matter, any condition, the physician must formulate and administer appropriate treatment. Failure to provide and administer a proper treatment may give rise to a medical negligence claim.

Surgical Errors.

Surgical procedures should only be performed if determined to be appropriate, and when surgical procedures are not performed properly the surgeon may have deviated from the standard of care in performing the surgery. Cases can arise from a variety of surgical errors including, unnecessary surgery, improperly performed surgery that damages vital nerves, muscles and vital structures, and improper follow-up after surgery when problems with the surgery have been discovered. In some situations, complications occur during surgery that may not be due to negligence, but in those cases it may be negligence if the surgeon does not recognize and repair the complication that has occurred.

Anesthesia And Medication Errors.

During surgery, anesthesia errors may lead to catastrophic results when anesthesia is improperly delivered to the patient. Excessive anesthesia or improperly delivered anesthesia may cause bodily damage, brain damage, stroke and death. Similarly, drugs should only be administered to certain patients and certain conditions. Doctors administering and prescribing medication have a duty to know the circumstances under which medication should be prescribed. Excessive doses of certain medications may cause injury. Certain types of medication may be contraindicated for certain people, certain conditions, and in combination with other medications. Failure to properly administer anesthesia and medication may be medical malpractice.

These are just some of the types of medical negligence cases that are handled by medical malpractice lawyers in the Kansas City area. Robert Wells, and The Wells Law Firm have successfully handled medical negligence cases involving the above types of medical errors for many years. If you believe that you or a loved one has been

injured to due medical malpractice and wish to speak to an attorney who handles medical malpractice cases, cause the Wells Law Firm. We will help you evaluate your case.

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