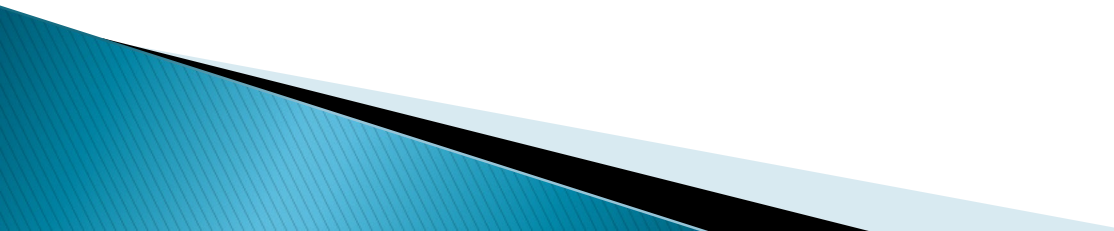


Types Of Medical Malpractice Cases



What is Medical Malpractice ?

Medical malpractice occurs when a patient suffers a serious injury while under the care of a healthcare provider which could have been prevented if that healthcare provider acted as a competent peer would have under the same circumstances. Medical malpractice can result in catastrophic injuries (including organ failure, brain, and spinal cord injury) and even death.



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- ▶ **Birth injury** – including Erb's Palsy and cerebral palsy
- ▶ Diagnosis errors – including misdiagnosis, delayed diagnosis, and failure to diagnose
- ▶ **Medication errors** – including prescription of unsafe medications, the provision of the incorrect medication by a pharmacist, and dosage errors
- ▶ **Surgical errors** – including surgical mistakes and anesthesia errors
- ▶ **Nursing home abuse** – including sub-standard care, neglect, and physical, mental, or emotional abuse



Birth injury

A birth injury is an injury suffered by a newborn during the labor and delivery process. Birth injuries can be grounds for legal action when they are the result of medical negligence on the part of a doctor, nurse, or other member of the delivery team. Common errors include the improper use of forceps or suction devices and failure to ensure adequate oxygen to the fetus. Some of the most devastating birth injuries are [cerebral palsy](#) and [Erb's palsy](#).

A number of factors can contribute to a birth defect, including heredity, the woman's use of drugs during the pregnancy, and a doctor's failure to diagnose or treat fetal problems in the womb. If a defect could reasonably have been prevented by a proper or more timely diagnosis, the doctor may be held liable for damage

Diagnosis errors

- ▶ When a medical condition has been misdiagnosed or not diagnosed when it should have been, it's important to know who may be liable. The doctor, hospital or other medical practitioners may be at fault for the misdiagnosis or failed diagnosis. In order to determine liability, however, you need the help of a skilled attorney.



Surgical Errors

Surgical errors can occur in both invasive surgery (a surgery that involves making an incision in the patient's body and inserting instruments or medical devices into the incision) and non-invasive surgery (surgery that does not require penetration in the body through an incision). However, the most common types of surgeries where surgical errors occur are:

- Childbirth
- Thoracic Surgery – surgery involving the lungs and the chest.
- Gastric Bypass Surgery – surgery that reduces the size of the stomach.
- Laparoscopic Surgery – surgery of the intestines or abdomen.
- Cardiothoracic Surgery – surgery of diseases affecting the heart (such as coronary artery bypass surgery and congenital heart disease)
- Anesthesia errors–Anesthesia errors can result in irreversible damage and debilitating injury or even death.

Nursing home abuse

Nursing home abuse is the mistreatment or neglect of a resident by nursing home staff. Neglect is a form of abuse. It includes physical, emotional, and psychological abuse, including:

- ▶ Dehydration – failure to provide fluid
- ▶ Malnutrition – failure to meet a resident's nutritional needs
- ▶ Bed sores
- ▶ Over Medication or Medication Errors
- ▶ Injuries from falls – most falls are preventable
- ▶ Physical or sexual assault
- ▶ Use of restraints (physical or chemical restraints)
- ▶ Financial exploitation (e.g., illicit use of a resident's financial resources)

Contact Our Medical Malpractice Attorneys

If you or a family member has been the victim of medical malpractice, [contact York Law Firm](#) to schedule a case evaluation with one of our medical malpractice and negligence attorneys. Our Malpractice lawyers Sacramento also serve in, Roseville, Elk Grove, Folsom, Fairfield and the Bay Area. We will work diligently to make sure that your best interests are protected and that your rights are asserted.

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