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Stryker Hip Replacements Linked to Metal Poisoning

Studies show that patients with metal-on-metal hip replacements including the Stryker Rejuvenate and Stryker ABG II models face an increased risk of developing <u>metallosis</u>, or metal poisoning from their implant.

Metallosis is a type of metal poisoning that occurs when the metal components of hip implants grind together, causing to metal debris flake off over time. According to the *British Medical Journal*, metal debris can release toxic levels chromium and cobalt ions into the bloodstream.

Metal poisoning can result in tissue damage and create heart, thyroid and nervous system problems



for hip replacement patients. Blindness, deafness, heart failure and death have all been linked to metal poisoning caused by metal-on-metal hip implants. Metallosis generally requires hip revision surgery to correct.

Hip replacement patients with metal poisoning often report experiencing unusual pain and swelling around the site of their hip implant. Patients may wish to visit their doctor to determine if pain is caused by metal poisoning from a metal-on-metal hip implant.

If you or a loved one experienced metal poisoning or other <u>serious side effects</u> after receiving a faulty metal hip implant, contact the lawyers at Hissey Kientz, LLP to learn more about your legal rights. You can reach us by calling toll-free at 1-866-275-4454, or by filling out a free case evaluation form on the right of this page.