

Is Medical Negligence the Reason for Your Child's Cerebral Palsy?

[Baby injury](#) claims are filed over a host of different conditions. One of the most common conditions that lead to a baby injury claim being filed is cerebral palsy. Cerebral palsy results from a brain injury and, in some cases, that brain injury is sustained as a result of negligence during the birthing process.

[Cerebral palsy in infants](#) is not always discovered right away. There are some signs, however, that lead doctors to suspect that there may be a brain injury present in the infant.

They include: Delayed muscle development Uneven muscle tone Problems turning over and reaching other milestones Stiff or floppy muscles

When parents choose to file these claims, the best move they can usually make is to seek out an attorney who works on a contingency arrangement. This ensures that the parents pay no legal fees unless their claim actually wins after being heard by a jury. They'll also pay legal fees if the party being sued comes forward and offers to settle the case for a lesser amount of money, which sometimes occurs if the case happens to be a very strong one. Medical negligence claims related to baby injuries can be directed at a variety of individuals and institutions.

In some cases, the doctor who attended the birth is held directly responsible for medical negligence in these claims. In other cases, it may turn out that the nurses were responsible or that a healthcare facility itself was responsible in that it did not provide adequate facilities or because of the fact that it was negligent in the facilities it did provide. Only your lawyer will be able to determine where the blame is likely to be found. In some cases, there is simply no blame to be placed for the injury.

Filing a claim over a baby birth injury can sometimes result in very large settlements being awarded by the jury. These are not entirely punitive; the large awards are designed to help the parents pay for the sometimes very high costs of treatment required by individuals who suffer with this condition. Sometimes, the amount of money awarded will be enough to help the child themselves pay for their own treatments when they reach adulthood. If you believe that you have a baby injury claim that may win in court, contacting a lawyer with experience in these cases may be a good idea.