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Transvaginal mesh is a type of surgical mesh device used for the treatment of <u>pelvic</u> <u>organ prolapse</u> or <u>stress urinary incontinence</u>. The device is placed into a woman's vagina during surgery in order to increase the length of time that treatment remains effective. Approximately 25% of pelvic organ prolapse (POP) surgeries and 80% of stress urinary incontinence (SUI) surgeries are done using <u>transvaginal mesh</u>.

Vaginal mesh erosion occurs when the transvaginal mesh patch wears through the vaginal tissue, shifting from its original position and coming into contact with surrounding tissue and organs. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has reported that <u>transvaginal</u> <u>mesh complications</u> such as vaginal scarring and mesh erosion can lead to a significant decrease in patient quality of life due to discomfort and pain.

Studies show that 10% of women who underwent surgery with transvaginal mesh for <u>pelvic organ prolapse (POP)</u> experienced mesh erosion within one year. Infection, urinary problems, and recurrence of prolapse or incontinence are all symptoms of vaginal mesh erosion.

In some transvaginal mesh cases, women have been forced to undergo repeat surgery to remove the product or to readdress their original medical condition.

If you or a loved one has experienced vaginal mesh erosion or other side effects associated with transvaginal mesh surgery, <u>contact the lawyers</u> 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 the <u>free case evaluation form</u>.