

BIRTH INJURIES AND YOUR BABY

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birth injuries for every 1,000 babies born.

COMMON BIRTH INJURIES

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CEREBAL PALSY (CP)

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) defines Cerebral Palsy as a group of disorders that affect a person's ability to move & maintain balance & posture.

BRACHIAL PLEXUS INJURY

is a form of injury to a group of nerves in the neck, leading to weakness in the shoulder or arm.

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HYPOXIA

Is a low level of oxygen, especially dangerous to the brain of a baby. Hypoxia can occur during labor and delivery.

HEAD TRAUMA

due to improper use of forceps or vacuum extractor.

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INFECTIONS

due to failure to properly treat maternal fever during delivery.

SEIZURES

due to failure to properly monitor baby's heart rate during labor.

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WHEN NEGLIGENCE IS THE CAUSE OF BIRTH INJURIES

NEGLIGENCE AND MALPRACTICE MAY INVOLVE:

- Oxygen deprivation during labor and delivery
- Prescription drugs given to the mother before or during pregnancy
- Failure to use proper delivery techniques
- Failure to perform a C-section in a timely manner
- Improper use of delivery instruments (such as forceps and vacuum)

IF YOUR BABY'S INJURIES WERE THE RESULT OF MEDICAL MALPRACTICE OR NEGLIGENCE...

CALL 1.800.LAW.6600

www.wnwlaw.com/birth-injury

RESOURCES:

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/cp/facts.html>
<http://orthoinfo.aaos.org/topic.cfm?topic=a00077>
<http://www.aafp.org/afp/2004/0401/p1707.html>



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