

Birth Defects Caused by Malpractice

Birth defects are congenital defects sometimes caused by a doctor's careless prescription of medicines to a pregnant woman. Other forms of negligent prenatal care can also cause birth defects.

Birth defects caused by negligent prenatal care form the basis for legal actions brought by our Philadelphia Birth Defect Lawyers. These defects include:

Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate Defects

A woman who uses certain drugs in the first 3 months of pregnancy may give birth to a child with cleft defects. These include the anti-nausea drug Zofran. They also include the following anti-depressants:

- Celexa
- Cymbalta
- Effexor
- Lexapro
- Paxil
- Prozac
- Symbyax
- Topomax
- Wellbutrin
- Zoloft

When a doctor prescribes a drug known to raise the risk of cleft defects to a pregnant woman, the doctor

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