



New York Medical Malpractice – Erb's Palsy

Today's tip is about Erb's Palsy, and, importantly, what is it that you see when a child has Erb's Palsy? In most instances, you're going to recognize that there's a problem with a child when they are hanging out on the playground playing with your kids, or you see them walking in the street on a nice summer day, or maybe you have a friend of yours come over and they're playing with your child at home. And what do you notice? You notice that the child does not use one of their arms much. You notice that their hand is much shorter and appears to be almost shrunken than the other arm. You notice that they favor one particular arm.

So what exactly is Erb's Palsy? Erb's Palsy is a nerve injury that occurs at the time of birth. And there are a number of different causes, but historically, the main cause for that particular condition is when a doctor puts excessive traction on the baby's head when it is being delivered at the time of birth.

Those types of injuries can result in significant neurologic injury, injury to the nerve in the brachial plexus, in the shoulder area going down to the upper arm area. And when you have a significant injury to that nerve, what happens is the blood supply to the nerve gets injured and damaged. The nerve no longer feeds the hand, and the hand literally, withers away and the child will not use that hand as much.

Doctors will routinely tell you that if the injury or condition exists for over a year, then that condition is permanent. If your child has a permanent, lifetime injury caused by someone else's wrongdoing, then they are entitled to be compensated for the injuries that they suffered through no fault of their own.

At that point you may want to recommend that they seek out an experienced medical malpractice attorney to investigate whether or not they have a valid basis for a case. That's it for today's tip about Erb's Palsy and how do you actually recognize it, see it, and what the significant social implications are for a child who has it.

By the way, if you want to learn more about Erb's Palsy and how medical malpractice cases work here in the State of New York; then I encourage you to explore my website <http://www.oginski-law.com>. If you have legal questions, then I urge you to pick up the phone and call me since I

can answer your legal questions, you can reach me at 516-487-8207 or by email at lawmed10@yahoo.com. I'm Gerry Oginski. Thanks for joining me here in New York for a few minutes of your time here with me. Have a great day.