A birth injury claim is a specific type of medical malpractice claim involving injuries obtained during or immediately before or after the birth of a child. **Cerebral palsy** is a life-altering, sometimes severe condition and is one of the more common birth injuries.

There are many causes related to the onset of **cerebral palsy** (including genetics), but several are often attributed to complications during delivery. These include:

- Lack of oxygen;
- Infection; and/or
- Head injury.

As with any medical malpractice claim, the injured party is responsible for proving that the health practitioner violated the accepted standard of care and that the violation was the direct cause of the injury. Depending on the particular circumstances of your case, the delivery doctor, nursing staff, and/or hospital may be held liable for your child's condition.

**Cerebral palsy** may not be immediately apparent, and its symptoms may not appear for some time. If your child begins to show any warning signs (including: delayed smiling or crawling, poor coordination, unusual posture, or involuntary movements), you should have him or her evaluated by a medical professional as soon as possible.

If you, or a medical professional, believe your child's condition may have been caused by the delivering doctor's negligence, contact a qualified medical malpractice attorney immediately.

For a confidential review, please [contact](mailto:contact) our **Cincinnati personal injury law** office today or call (513) 474-3700.