



Weighing The Pros And Cons: A Look At Options For POP Repair As Transvaginal Mesh Lawsuit Filings Grow

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TheProductLawyers.com reports on an article by Fox Health which discusses the need for patients to weigh the benefits and harms of transvaginal mesh. According to the article, synthetic mesh is more effective at treating pelvic organ prolapse than using a woman's own tissue. The article states that a look at past research indicates, about one in 20 women whose prolapse was fixed with natural tissue had a second operation, compared to about one in 10 women who got artificial mesh. However, women who had mesh implanted were less likely to be aware of recurrent prolapse. Those women were also found to be more likely to experience incontinence, exposed mesh or even another surgery.

Transvaginal mesh was approved by the FDA in 1996 for stress urinary incontinence procedures. It was later approved in 2002 for treatment of pelvic organ prolapse, a condition in which the pelvic organs sag and move out of their usual place. The mesh is usually made from non-absorbable synthetic polypropylene and is manufactured by several companies such as C.R. Bard, Cook Medical, Johnson & Johnson, Boston Scientific and Coloplast Corp.

Thousands of lawsuits have been filed against these companies by women who claim that the mesh is defective and causes serious adverse side effects that the manufacturers ignored in order to push it to market. Side effects alleged by these plaintiffs include vaginal scarring, bleeding, erosion of mesh through the vagina, infection, organ perforation, severe vaginal or pelvic pain, inability to engage in sexual intercourse, nerve damage, and vaginal shrinkage.

Attorneys at Banville Law are currently working to make sure that those who believe they have suffered negative side effects due to a transvaginal mesh implant are able to investigate their legal rights fully. Qualifying individuals may be entitled to legal action and financial compensation. Banville Law is currently offering free case evaluations for those parties.

To learn more, or to ask questions about transvaginal mesh, contact Banville Law by calling (877) 671-6480.

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