



Florida Defective Medical Device Law Firm Studying Issues Involving Zimmer Knee Replacement

Palm Beach Gardens product liability lawyers are fielding inquiries regarding the Zimmer NexGen CR-Flex knee replacement from patients concerned with pain, implant failure.

Palm Beach Gardens, Florida (Vocus/PRWEB) March 29, 2011 -- The Florida defective medical device lawyers of Gordon & Doner, P.A., said today that they are investigating potential claims involving a Zimmer synthetic knee replacement device.

The bending portion of the device, called the Zimmer NexGen CR-Flex Porous Femoral Component, is designed to naturally fuse with the thigh bone instead of requiring use of a cement-like adhesive found in some other artificial knee implants.

However, research presented at the March 2010 meeting of the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons found that the uncemented knee had failed in 8.3 percent of the patients involved in the study, according to an article in the [New York Times](#).

“The study found that nearly 36 percent of the patients studied showed signs of the knee loosening after about two years,” said Robert E. Gordon, a [Florida product liability lawyer](#) and founding partner of Gordon & Doner. “Knee replacements should generally last much longer. In fact, a [knee replacement study](#) presented at the AAOS meeting this month found that total knee replacements can function effectively for 20 years or more.

“When a knee implant loosens, it can cause extreme pain and other knee complications, which generally require additional surgery. That is burdensome, especially on older patients in the 60-80-year-old age range that are the patients primarily receiving these knee implants.”

Gordon & Doner, which recently was named in the top tier in Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions in the West Palm Beach area by U.S. News Media Group and Best Lawyers, currently is providing information about the [Zimmer NexGen CR-Flex knee replacement](#) on its website.

“Our law firm has always believed strongly in standing up for the rights of patients and consumers who have been harmed by defective products, so we will continue to investigate this matter,” Gordon said.

The Zimmer NexGen CR-Flex Porous Femoral Component is manufactured by Warsaw, Indiana-based Zimmer Holdings. In March 2010, the company issued a statement regarding the study that had been presented to the AAOS by Dr. Richard A. Berger, a former Zimmer consultant, and Dr. Craig J. Della Valle of Chicago’s Rush University Medical Center.

The company cited an Australian report and its own “post-market surveillance activities” to support its claim that the cementless knee replacement was “a safe and effective product when used as indicated in the surgical technique.”

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The Florida law firm of Gordon & Doner, with offices in Palm Beach Gardens, Stuart, Pembroke Pines and Fort



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