

# Most Common Complications after Coronary Bypass Surgery

Coronary artery bypass surgery (CABS) is the most common type of open-heart surgery performed in the United States. Furthermore, some of the most serious medical mistakes are made during open heart surgery. Find out more about the most common risks associated with medical negligence for CABS.

## → Angioplasty Errors

Angioplasty is a common procedure used to reduce blockage in a coronary artery in which a stent is inserted. During catheterization, to make room for the stent, the arterial lining can be punctured, which damages the heart valve. In addition, compressed plaque causing the blockage may not be completely removed during the procedure, which can then release into the arteries.

## → Negligent Ablation

Doctors perform ablation procedures and reduce or remove tissue through radio frequency. This tissue buildup is often a result of a previous coronary surgery and causes blockage of signals transmitted by the heart.

## → Anesthesia Errors

During coronary artery bypass surgery, an anesthesiologist may miscalculate the type or amount of anesthesia that should be administered. This negligence can lead to neurological injuries or brain damage.

## → Surgical Incision Errors

Surgical incision errors may occur during CABS. This may include cutting errors, as well as organ damage or spinal cord injury, as a result of laparoscopy. Negligent surgical incision may also occur if the wrong part or side of the body is operated on.

## → Mismanagement of Heart Medication

Before and after coronary artery bypass surgery, doctors and surgeons are responsible for properly prescribing and monitoring heart medications. If certain medications are mismanaged, they may cause serious side effects, resulting in injury or illness to a patient.



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