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## Legal Think Tank

We recently held our first legal think tank. We surrounded ourselves with like-minded practicing attorneys from across the country in various practice areas. We shared techniques on how we advertise, network and market to potential clients. We also provided feedback to each other and ideas to help reach a broader base for potential clients.

The practice of law goes beyond assisting clients. We must be able to obtain clients AND do great work for them. If you all have any ideas on how to cultivate a client base, please feel free to share. We want to have the best and the brightest lawyers helping any and everyone in need.



## Potential Certified Nurse Midwife Liability For A Brain Injured Baby (HIE).

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In our latest discussion I want to explore potential certified nurse midwife liability for a brain injured baby. In our context the brain injury is hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy.

Certified Nurse Midwives (CNMs) play a crucial role in maternal care, guiding expectant mothers through the childbirth process. However, when a baby experiences a birth-related injury, such as hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy (HIE), questions regarding liability may arise. This article aims to explore the legal considerations surrounding CNM liability in cases of HIE.

### Potential Certified Nurse Midwife Liability For A Brain Injured Baby

CNMs are highly trained healthcare professionals specializing in providing care during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postpartum period. While they often collaborate with obstetricians, their independent practice may raise questions about the extent of their responsibility when complications arise.

CNMs are responsible for monitoring the well-being of both mother and baby during labor. Failure to identify and respond promptly to signs of fetal distress leading to HIE may be grounds for legal action. Proper documentation of monitoring measures is essential for the safety of mother and baby.

In cases where complications, such as oxygen deprivation leading to HIE, arise, CNMs must demonstrate an appropriate and timely response. This may involve calling for additional medical support or making decisions about the mode of delivery.

CNMs can be involved in postpartum care, and ongoing monitoring of both mother and baby is essential. Timely identification of any signs of HIE-related issues and appropriate follow-up care are crucial components of liability prevention.

As suggested above, CNMs have their own independent obligations to patients. This means that they must be on top of the standard of care and practice in a competent manner regarding their patients. Potential certified nurse midwife liability for a brain injured baby is something that has to be understood when handling a birth injury investigation.

# Off The Press

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## HOLIDAY TRAVEL?

“Even with improved disruption rates headed into the holiday season, travelers should plan ahead for potential disruptions. Extreme weather and technical failures can have outsized impacts during these busy travel periods.”

According to Hopper travel site, more travelers are expected to hit the skies this December compared to last, with an 11% increase in airline capacity. Most people are predicted to fly out for their holiday trips on Thursday, Dec. 21, and Friday, Dec. 22. And expected to return home on Thursday, Dec. 28, and Friday, Dec. 29.

“The least busy travel days are going to be on the holidays themselves, including Christmas Eve, Christmas and New Year’s Eve. Not only will you encounter smaller crowds on these unpopular flying days, but you may actually save some cash.”

“During the Christmas week of Dec. 21 and Dec. 27, the busiest airports will be the ones known for connecting flights. Brace yourself for over 1.4 million passengers are expected to be at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. Denver International Airport and Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport are closely behind, with over 1 million travelers going through their respective terminals.

Other busy airports include Los Angeles International Airport and Orlando International Airport. According to Hopper, these airports will be especially packed in the morning time between 8 a.m. and noon. “

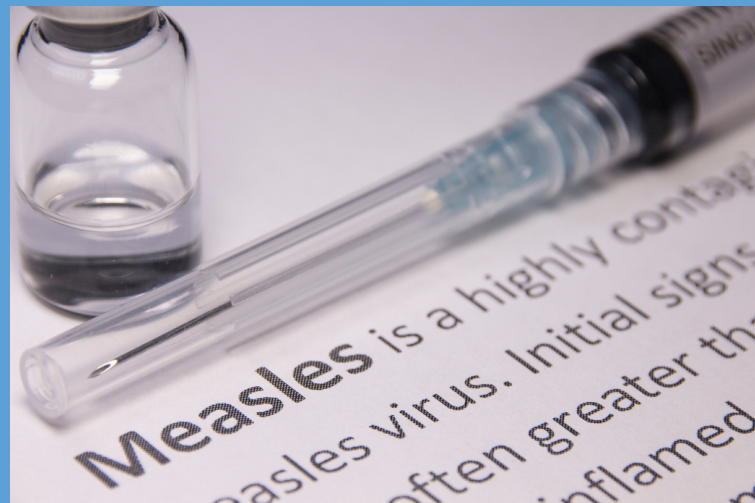
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/travel/news/2023/11/28/holiday-flights-air-travel-tips-2023/71657739007/>

## GLOBAL MEASLES THREAT CONTINUES TO GROW

“The increase in measles outbreaks and deaths is staggering, but unfortunately, not unexpected given the declining vaccination rates we’ve seen in the past few years,” said John Vertefeuille, director of CDC’s Global Immunization Division. “Measles cases anywhere pose a risk to all countries and communities where people are under-vaccinated. Urgent, targeted efforts are critical to prevent measles disease and deaths.”

Measles is preventable with two doses of measles vaccine. While a modest increase in global vaccination coverage occurred in 2022 from 2021, there were still 33 million children who missed a measles vaccine dose: nearly 22 million missed their first dose and an additional 11 million missed their second dose. The global vaccine coverage rate of the first dose, at 83%, and second dose, at 74%, were still well under the 95% coverage with the two doses necessary to protect communities from outbreaks.

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2023/p1116-global-measles.html>



# Seafood Dressing

## Ingredients

1/2 lb of peeled and deveined large shrimp  
1 lobster tail  
8 oz of drained crab meat  
4 large scallops  
2 large eggs  
1 stick of softened butter  
2-3 ribs of celery (diced)  
1/2 onion (diced)  
1/2 bell pepper (diced)  
1/2 cup seafood or chicken stock or milk  
(warmed)  
3 pieces of toast  
Day old cornbread (1/2 of 9x13)  
salt  
pepper  
sage  
old bay



## Directions

1. Make your cornbread the day before and allow to cool completely overnight in the fridge..
2. Melt a tbs of butter in a skillet.
3. Saute your veggies until tender.
4. Place day old cornbread in a large bowl and break it up into chunks.
5. Melt remainder of butter.
6. Pour melted butter and sauteed veggies into cornbread and mix. Season to taste. Then add two eggs and mix.
7. Dice up your seafood into bite size pieces. Then add to the cornbread mixture. Add warmed liquid until it is the creamy, but not watery. (you may not need all the liquid)
8. Lightly grease a 9 x 13 baking dish.
9. Pour combined cornbread mixture into dish.
10. Place in a preheated 375 degree oven for 25 minutes. Let cool for 20-30 mins prior to serving.

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