

# Talk to a North Carolina Guillain-Barré Syndrome Lawyer about Your NVICP Claim

Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) is a rare autoimmune disorder with no known cause or cure. However, GBS has been linked to certain vaccines (including the annual flu shot), and the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (NVICP) pays compensation to qualifying individuals and families who are coping with the effects of vaccine-related GBS. If you or a loved one has been diagnosed with GBS following a vaccination, you should speak with a North Carolina Guillain-Barré Syndrome lawyer about your legal rights.



## Which Vaccines are Linked to Guillain-Barré Syndrome?

Several vaccines have been linked to Guillain-Barré Syndrome. Individuals who have been diagnosed with GBS and families who have lost loved ones to GBS may be entitled to compensation under the NVICP if the diagnosis followed a vaccination for:

- [Influenza \(Flu Shot\)](#)
- Hepatitis A or B
- Human papillomavirus (HPV)
- Tetanus

Under the NVICP, [vaccine injuries](#) such as GBS are classified as “Table” or “off-Table” injuries. The significance of a condition being classified as “Table” is that the condition is presumed to be vaccine-related. This reduces the number of steps involved in seeking financial compensation. Currently, Guillain-Barré Syndrome is an “Table” injury for the flu shot if symptoms onset between 3 and 42 days following vaccination. For Hepatitis A or B, HPV, or Tetanus shots,

Guillain-Barré Syndrome would be an “off-Table” injury.

## What are the Effects of Guillain-Barré Syndrome?

Guillain-Barré Syndrome can have a wide range of effects. There are several variants of the disease, each of which has its own unique symptomatology and prognosis. Broadly speaking, however, the effects of GBS may include:

- Changes in blood pressure
- Chronic pain
- Difficulty breathing
- Difficulty maintaining balance (resulting in difficulty walking)
- Loss of bowel or bladder control
- Loss of control of facial movements
- Loss of reflexes
- Respiratory dysfunction
- Sensory impairments
- Paralysis

## When Can You File an NVICP Claim for GBS?

You should consult with a North Carolina GBS lawyer if you or a loved one has been diagnosed with GBS following a vaccination. The costs of treatment and recovery can be substantial, and the NVICP pays compensation for medical bills, other out-of-pocket expenses, and loss of income. The NVICP also pays up to \$250,000 in financial compensation for pain and suffering, and it pays claimants’ legal fees separately from their awards of monetary compensation.

Individuals who have been diagnosed with GBS have up to three years to file a claim with the NVICP. This “limitations period” runs from the date you first experience symptoms. In cases involving fatal GBS, families have up to two years from the date of death to file a claim (or four years from the date of the first symptom, whichever comes first).

## Get a Free Consultation with an Experienced North Carolina Guillain-Barré Syndrome Lawyer

Our North Carolina Guillain-Barré Syndrome lawyers have successfully represented numerous individuals and families in NVICP claims. To discuss your legal rights in confidence, contact us for a free, no-obligation consultation. You can reach us by phone at 800-662-1234 or [send us a message online](#) 24/7.