



Cook IVC Filter Injury Bellwether Trials Scheduled for 2017



Victims injured by inferior vena cava (IVC) filters will have their day in court. An Indiana judge presiding over the consolidated [Cook IVC filter lawsuits](#) has selected three trials to be heard in 2017, the outcomes of which can predict how hundreds of other lawsuits may be settled. Victims have claimed that the devices cause a wide range of injuries, including punctured organs and blockages in the heart.

How to Prevent a Deep-Fried Injury on Thanksgiving



Are you planning to deep fry your bird this year? It may surprise you to know that Texas has more [Thanksgiving deep-fryer injuries](#) than any other state in the U.S. Luckily, we have compiled a list of ways for Texans to minimize their risks of injury when deep frying, allowing you and yours to give thanks safely. Read our tips on preventing deep-fryer injuries this holiday season!

Prilosec, Nexium, and Other Heartburn Drugs May Cause Kidney Failure



If you are one of the 15 million people who rely on antacids for heartburn in the U.S., you may want to check your labels. A 2016 study published by the American Medical Association in *JAMA Internal Medicine* has discovered that proton pump inhibitors can increase the risk of chronic kidney failure by up to 46 percent. [Heartburn drugs that cause kidney failure](#) may include Nexium, Prevacid, Prilosec, AciPhex, Protonix, and many other over-the-counter medications. Get the facts on proton-pump inhibitors and discover if you could be at risk of renal side effects.

It Doesn't Pay to Skimp on Homeowners Insurance in Texas



Texas weather can be temperamental, and your homeowner's insurance may be the one thing that can put your home back together after a storm. But many people aren't sure what their policies cover, and those who purchase the cheapest possible insurance may be unable to make repairs after a natural disaster. Some Texas insurance companies offer greatly reduced rates on your annual homeowner's insurance premium—but in return, you sign away your rights to sue the insurance company if they refuse to pay out a claim. Read our [insurance tips for Texas homeowners](#).

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