



Invokana Lawsuit Plaintiffs Allege DKA Is Side Effect Of Drug

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TheProductLawyers.com reports on a US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) public safety warning in regard to Invokana and the drug's potential side effect related to the development of diabetic ketoacidosis as well as lawsuits filed that focus on the same possible side effect. A component of the FDA's warning was a requirement that Janssen Pharmaceuticals, the manufacturer of Invokana, be required to amend the product's warning label to better inform patients about ketoacidosis as well as other side effects.

Diabetic ketoacidosis is a very serious life-threatening medical condition as diabetic coma or death can result. Ketoacidosis can manifest in a person's blood in less than 24 hours. The FDA warning was issued to make the public aware of this possible condition resulting from the use of Invokana with symptoms including nausea and vomiting, abdominal pain, difficulty breathing, and tiredness. The FDA encourages those being treated with Invokana to be keenly aware of these symptoms.

Two lawsuits have been filed recently related to the onset of ketoacidosis after taking Invokana, a new-generation diabetes drug and the first in a series of sodium glucose cotransporter-2 (SGLT2) inhibitor drugs to be released on the market.

The first was filed in December 2015 in the Southern District of Alabama under case number 1:15-cv-00636. The plaintiff alleged that she began taking the drug in December 2014 and quickly developed ketoacidosis and says that Janssen was negligent in that the company did not adequately inform the public and medical professionals about the possible emergence of this very serious affliction. Additionally, she states the drug was promoted "off-label" in that it was being promoted as a treatment for type-1 diabetes which was not an approved FDA use for Invokana since the agency only approved it to treat type-2 diabetic patients.

The second lawsuit, filed in Philadelphia, was filed by a plaintiff who began using Invokana in November 2014. He alleges that he was diagnosed with ketoacidosis after 3 months of using Invokana.

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