

# Couples win lawsuit over donated eggs with genetic defect

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Two couples that gave birth to children with a genetic defect later traced to donated eggs have won a lawsuit against a New York fertility doctor and his clinic.

The two children have Fragile X, which causes intellectual impairments. The [egg donors](#) were supposed to be screened for genetic conditions.

The case hinged on the state's medical malpractice statute of limitations, which bars lawsuits filed more than two and a half years after the alleged malpractice.

The lawsuits were filed two years after the children were born, when the condition became apparent, but more than two and a half years following final fertility treatments.

Attorneys for the Reproductive Medicine Associates clinic and physician Alan Copperman argued the lawsuits were filed too late. They did not immediately respond to a comment request Thursday.

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