



Zantac Case Criteria

Threshold Exposure

- At least 1 year of Zantac exposure prior to cancer diagnosis.
- Brand name Zantac is best, but mixed use with generic ranitidine okay.
- Minimum of 300 mg / week during 1 year period of exposure.
- No more than 5 years since last Zantac (ranitidine) exposure prior to cancer diagnosis.

General Criteria

1. **No cases of any type from Michigan or Texas.**
2. Must have a cancer diagnosis.
3. Statute of Limitations (SOL) must be intact to accept a case. We can pursue a case based on the natural statute and/or the “Discovery Rule” which most states have.
4. States that do not accept the Discovery Rule for **personal injury** cases are AL (2 yrs), ME (6 yrs) and VA (2 yrs).
5. States that do not accept the Discovery Rule for **wrongful death** cases are AL (2 yrs), FL (2 yrs), GA (2 yrs), IL (2 yrs), ME (2 yrs), MN (3 yrs), MT (3 yrs), NJ (2 yrs), NM (3 yrs), NY (2 yrs), NC (2 yrs), OK (2 yrs), TX (2 yrs), VA (2 yrs).
6. If a case falls within one of the above listed states, you have the amount of years listed to file a case from the **date of diagnosis for PI** or **date of death for WD**.
 - For example, an Alabama PI case with a cancer diagnosis of 1/1/19 would be acceptable, as the SOL would be calculated as 1/1/21 (2 years from the diagnosis).
 - We require at least 3 months prior to SOL date available to properly work up a case, therefore will not accept cases with SOLs expiring within 3 months.
7. **No death cases longer than ten years ago.**

Adult Cancer Limitations

For all cancers, the client must not have had the same cancer prior to initiating Zantac use.

NOTE: Some of these limitations may not be apparent during intake and may require a review of the medical records. Assuming a PC meets the other requirements, go ahead and sign them up so we can further investigate the case.

Bladder Cancer:

- No smoking 25 years prior to diagnosis
- No catheter used prior to diagnosis



Colon/ Colorectal Cancer:

- No family history of colorectal cancer (unless family member was also exposed to Zantac)
- No Crohn's disease prior to Zantac use
- No prior dx of Familial Adenomatous Polyposis (FAP)

Esophageal / Throat / Nasal Cancer:

- No smoking 25 years prior to diagnosis
- No Barrett's esophagus prior to Zantac use

Liver Cancer:

- No type II diabetes
- No hepatitis C or B
- No heavy drinkers (14 or more drinks per week)
Ok if heavy drinking stopped within 10 years prior to diagnosis
- No hemochromatosis
- No Wilson's disease
- No non-alcoholic fatty liver disease

Lung Cancer:

- No smoking in 25 years prior to diagnosis
- No occupational radon gas exposure
- No occupational asbestos exposure
- No occupational arsenic exposure
- No occupational chromium exposure
- No parents with lung cancer (who were non-smokers and who were not exposed to Zantac)

Pancreatic Cancer:

- No smoking in 25 years prior to diagnosis
- No chronic pancreatitis
- No diabetes type II

Prostate Cancer:

- No familial history of prostate cancer (unless family member was also exposed to Zantac)
- Must be under the age of 65 at the time of diagnosis

Stomach/ Gastric Cancer:

- No smoking 25 years prior to diagnosis
- No h-pylori infection prior to Zantac use