

Medical Edge Radio from Mayo Clinic

Treating Parkinson's Disease

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| Intro with music | GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE. |
| | YOU MAY RECOGNIZE THE SYMPTOMS...TREMORS OR SLOW MOVEMENTS. PARKINSON'S DISEASE AFFECTS YOUR ABILITY TO MOVE, AND CAN MAKE NORMAL EVERYDAY CHORES – LIKE BUTTONING A SHIRT OR BRUSHING YOUR TEETH - A STRUGGLE. |
| Ryan Uitti, M.D. Track 1 (6:10) | “IDEALLY WE'D HAVE A TREATMENT THAT COULD SLOW DOWN THE NATURAL PROGRESSION OF THE CONDITION. WE DON'T HAVE THAT TREATMENT.” |
| Dr. Ryan Wee-Tee | BUT, SAYS MAYO CLINIC DR. RYAN |

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| | UETTI, YOU CAN TREAT THE SYMPTOMS. PARKINSON'S DISEASE CREATES A CHEMICAL IMBALANCE THAT SHORT CIRCUITS THE NERVES CONTROLLING MOVEMENT. SUPPLEMENTING OR REPLACING THE CHEMICAL CAN... |
| Dr. Uitti Track 1 (9:15) | "REJUVENATE SOME OF THAT ACTIVITY IN THE CIRCUIT AND IMPROVE THE MOVEMENTS." |
| | IF MEDICATIONS AREN'T WORKING, SURGERY COULD BE AN OPTION. IT'S CALLED DEEP BRAIN STIMULATION, AND USES A SMALL ELECTRIC CURRENT TO BRING THAT CIRCUIT BACK ON LINE. IT'S SAFE, AND THE RESULTS CAN BE DRAMATIC. |
| | FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG . I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS. |
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