

Medical Edge Radio from Mayo Clinic

Devic's Disease or MS?

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	YOU COULD CALL THEM CLOSE COUSINS. MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND DEVIC'S DISEASE ATTACK YOUR CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM IN SIMILAR WAYS. THEY ALSO SHARE MANY SYMPTOMS, LIKE EYE PROBLEMS AND NUMBNESS OR WEAKNESS IN THE ARMS OR LEGS. BUT THERE ARE KEY DISTINGUISHING FACTORS SAYS MAYO CLINIC'S DR. BRIAN WEINSHENKER. WITH DEVIC'S THE ATTACKS TEND TO BE MORE FREQUENT, AND...
Brian Weinschenker, M.D. Track 2(:50)	"MUCH MORE SEVERE. MORE

	SEVERE VISUAL IMPAIRMENT, AND RATHER THAN JUST SEEING MILD WEAKNESS, IN MANY PATIENTS WE SEE COMPLETE PARALYSIS.”
	UNLIKE M-S, BRAIN SCANS OF PATIENTS WITH DEVIC’S TYPICALLY ARE NORMAL. MAYBE THE MOST IMPORTANT DIFFERENCE IS IN THE TREATMENT.
Dr. Weinshenker Tack 2 (9:56)	“THE GENERAL CONSENSUS IS THAT OUR STANDARD FIRST LINE TREATMENT FOR M-S, DOESN’T WORK VERY WELL.”
	BUT THERE ARE DRUGS THAT CAN HELP ALLEVIATE THE SYMPTOMS, AND ALSO PREVENT FUTURE ATTACKS OF DEVIC’S
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.
