

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Deep Vein Thrombosis

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	YOU MAY NOT HEAR ABOUT DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS MUCH, BUT WITH ABOUT A MILLION PEOPLE DIAGNOSED EVERY YEAR...
John Heit, M.D.	"THIS DISEASE IS ABOUT AS COMMON AS STROKE."
	HOWEVER, STROKE IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT SAYS MAYO CLINIC DR. JOHN HEIT. WHILE STROKES AND HEART ATTACKS ARE CAUSED BY A BLOOD CLOT IN AN ARTERY, DEEP VEIN THROMBOSIS OR D-V-T IS A BLOOD CLOT THAT BEGINS IN A VEIN -- USUALLY IN A LEG. THE

	<p>MAJOR CONCERN IS THAT IF THE CLOT BECOMES DISLODGED, IT FLOWS WITH THE RETURNING BLOOD TO THE HEART, GOING RIGHT THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE HEART AND THEN TO THE LUNGS WHERE IT GETS STUCK.</p>
<p>Dr. Heit</p>	<p>“THAT IS CALLED A PULMONARY EMBOLISM AND FOR ABOUT 25 PERCENT OF PATIENTS WHO SUFFER A PULMONARY EMBOLISM, THE FIRST MANIFESTATION IS SUDDEN DEATH.”</p>
	<p>D-V-T SYMPTOMS INCLUDE LEG SWELLING AND PAIN, AND THE AREA CAN BE WARM TO THE TOUCH. ALL ARE REASONS TO SEEK IMMEDIATE MEDICAL ATTENTION.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>
