

**Medical Edge Radio from Mayo Clinic**

**Living Donors**

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<b>Intro with music</b>	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	FOR THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN NEED OF A TRANSPLANT, IT'S AN OPTION THAT CAN SAVE YEARS ON A WAITING LIST. LIVING DONOR TRANSPLANTATION IS BECOMING MORE COMMON. USUALLY A RELATIVE OR CLOSE FRIEND GIVES A KIDNEY OR PART OF A LIVER TO A RECIPIENT. NEARLY HALF OF ALL KIDNEY TRANSPLANTS IN 2002 WERE DONE THIS WAY. DR. CHARLES ROSEN IS A TRANSPLANT SURGEON AT MAYO CLINIC.
<b>Charles Rosen, M.D.</b> <b>Track 2 (:22)</b>	"A LIVING DONOR KIDNEY

	ACTUALLY DOES A LOT BETTER IN THE LONG TERM THAN A DECEASED DONOR KIDNEY.”
	LIVE DONOR LIVER TRANSPLANTATION IS MUCH LESS COMMON. IN PART BECAUSE A LIVER FROM A DECEASED DONOR WORKS JUST AS WELL. AND...
<b>Dr. Rosen</b> <b>Track 2 (1:07)</b>	“THE OPERATION IS MORE COMPLEX FOR THE RECIPIENT BECAUSE THE BLOOD VESSELS AND BILE DUCTS THAT WE NEED TO SEW TOGETHER ARE SMALLER AND SHORTER.”
	BUT PATIENTS WHO OTHERWISE MIGHT NOT RECEIVE A TRANSPLANT GET A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT <a href="http://MAYOCLINIC.ORG">MAYOCLINIC.ORG</a> . I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.
