

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
Treating Radioulnar Synostosis

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	DRINKING FROM A CUP... BRUSHING TEETH...EVERYDAY ACTIONS MADE EASIER BECAUSE YOUR FOREARMS ROTATE. BUT FOR CHILDREN BORN WITH RADIOULNAR SYNOSTOSIS, THE MOST BASIC ACTIVITIES CAN BE CHALLENGING BECAUSE THEIR FOREARM BONES ARE FUSED. DR. STEVEN MORAN IS A SURGEON AT MAYO CLINIC.
Steven Moran, M.D. Track 1(5:50)	"IF YOU HAVE A UNILATERAL CASE WHERE ONE HAND IS AFFECTED, THOSE CHILDREN RARELY NEED TREATMENT AND THEY'RE ABLE,

	USUALLY, TO COMPENSATE WITH THE OTHER HAND. “
	BUT THE MAJORITY OF CASES INVOLVE BOTH ARMS. WHILE THERAPY CAN HELP MOST PATIENTS, SURGERY IS USUALLY RESERVED FOR ONLY THE MOST SEVERE CASES.
Dr. Moran Track 1 (3:40)	“THE FIRST OPTION IS TO ROTATE THE ARM BACK INTO A MORE FUNCTIONAL POSITION. SO IF YOU’RE STANDING WITH YOUR ELBOW BENT, YOUR HAND WOULD BE STRAIGHT UP AND DOWN.”
	THE SECOND OPTION: RECONSTRUCT THE ELBOW AND FOREARM JOINT. IN THE RIGHT PATIENT, SOME ROTATION CAN BE RESTORED.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG . I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.

