
Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Surgery for Sweating

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	DRENCHED SHIRTS. DRIPPING HANDS. SYMPTOMS OF HYPERHIDROSIS.
Harold Burkhart, M.D.	"WE'LL SEE PATIENTS IN CLINIC AND THERE WILL BE WATER ON THE FLOOR. IT'LL BE DRIPPING OFF THEIR HANDS."
	MAYO CLINIC DR. HAROLD BURKHART SAYS THE CONDITION, WHICH CAUSES YOUR HANDS AND ARMPITS TO SWEAT EXCESSIVELY, IS NOT DANGEROUS. BUT IT CAN BE A HUGE EMBARRASSMENT FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE IT.
Ali Kerr Had Hyperhidrosis	"I DIDN'T REALLY WANT TO DO THINGS SOCIALLY BECAUSE IT

	WAS SWEATY AND GROSS.”
	ALI KERR TRIED MEDICATIONS TO HELP KEEP HER DRY, BUT THEY DIDN'T WORK. AN OPERATION AT MAYO CLINIC DID.
	DR. BURKHART SAYS THE EXCESS SWEATING HAPPENS WHEN AN OVERSTIMULATED NERVE CHAIN ALONG THE SPINE SENDS TOO MANY SIGNALS TO SWEAT GLANDS IN YOUR SKIN. AT A SPECIFIC POINT, DR. BURKHART CUTS THE NERVE, INTERRUPTING THE SIGNALS. THIS STOPS THE SWEATING IN MORE THAN 99 PERCENT OF ALL CASES.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG . I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.