

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
Robotically Assisted Heart Surgery

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	DON GINDER SAYS A LABRADOR RETRIEVER'S SKILL IN THE FIELD IS ALL ABOUT INSTINCT.
Don Ginder, Patient	"STAY. COME, JACK."
	AND IT WAS INSTINCT THAT DON SAYS PROMPTED HIM TO SEE A DOCTOR.
Don Ginder	"I'D WALK TO THE SHED AND I'D GET A LITTLE WINDED."
	DON HAD A FAULTY MITRAL HEART VALVE. TRADITIONAL SURGERY TO FIX IT MEANS OPEN CHEST SURGERY. DON WOULD BE IN THE HOSPITAL ABOUT A WEEK, AND OFF WORK FOR UP TO THREE MONTHS. SO INSTEAD, HE CHOSE

	TO HAVE ROBOTICALLY ASSISTED, MINIMALLY INVASIVE HEART SURGERY AT MAYO CLINIC
Rakesh Suri, M.D.	“THE MOVEMENTS OF THE ROBOT ARE ESSENTIALLY AN EXTENSION OF MY OWN ARMS.”
	DR. RAKESH SURI TEAMS WITH DR. HAROLD BURKHART FOR THE OPERATION.
Harold Burkhart, M.D.	“THE BIGGEST THING IS IT GETS PEOPLE BACK TO A NORMAL LIFE.”
	DON WAS OUT OF THE HOSPITAL IN THREE DAYS. WITHIN TWO WEEKS HE WAS BACK IN THE FIELD WITH JACK. HIS HEART VALVE REPAIRED WITHOUT HAVING HIS CHEST OPENED.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG . I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.