

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
New Treatment for Barrett's

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	OCCASIONAL BOUTS OF HEARTBURN ARE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT. BUT IF YOU GET IT FREQUENTLY, YOU'RE AT A HIGHER RISK OF DEVELOPING SOMETHING CALLED BARRETT'S ESOPHAGUS. BARRETT'S HAPPENS WHEN CHRONIC ACID REFLUX CAUSES CHANGES TO THE CELLS THAT LINE YOUR ESOPHAGUS.
David Fleischer, M.D.	"THE REAL IMPORTANCE OF BARRETT'S IS THAT IT IS A RISK FACTOR FOR DEVELOPING ESOPHAGEAL CANCER."
	MAYO CLINIC DR. DAVID

	<p>FLEISCHER SAYS SURGERY TO REMOVE BARRETT'S IS ONE TREATMENT OPTION. BUT THAT'S A MAJOR OPERATION WHICH REQUIRES SEVERAL DAYS IN THE HOSPITAL. DR. FLEISCHER AND HIS TEAM HAVE STUDIED A MUCH LESS INVASIVE PROCEDURE THAT CAN GET RID OF BARRETT'S WITHOUT SURGERY.</p>
Dr. Fleischer	<p>"WE FOUND WE COULD GET RID OF IT IN 98% OF PATIENTS."</p>
	<p>THE TECHNOLOGY USES RADIO FREQUENCY ENERGY TO BURN AWAY THE BARRETT'S CELLS, REDUCING YOUR RISK THAT IT WILL DEVELOP INTO CANCER.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>