

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Spina Bifida Surgery

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	MOUNIB FERCHICHI WAS BORN IN ALGIERS WITH A SEVERE FORM OF SPINA BIFIDA. HIS MOTHER SALIMA SAYS HER SON SPENT THE FIRST TWO YEARS OF HIS LIFE TILTED FORWARD ON HIS STOMACH.
Salima Ferchichi Mounib's mother	"HE WAS IN PAIN AND DOCTORS DIDN'T DO ANYTHING."
	THANKS TO DONATIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY, MOUNIB WAS TRANSPORTED TO MAYO CLINIC.
Fredric Meyer, M.D. Mayo Clinic neurosurgeon	"PROBABLY THE ONLY REASON THE CHILD SURVIVED, TRUTHFULLY, FOR TWO YEARS

	WAS DUE TO THE TREMENDOUS, OBVIOUS LOVE AND ENERGY OF HIS MOTHER AND FAMILY.”
	NEUROSURGEON FREDRIC MEYER TEAMED UP WITH OTHER SPECIALISTS TO CUSTOMIZE A TREATMENT PLAN FOR MOUNIB. NO ONE WAS SURE HOW HE WOULD DO AFTER SURGERY.
Salima Ferchichi	“HE CAN MOVE HIS FEET, HE CAN MOVE HIS LEGS, HE CAN SIT DOWN, HE CAN EAT WITH HIS OWN HANDS.”
	SALIMA SAYS MOUNIB IS WITHOUT PAIN., AND FOR THE FIRST TIME HE CAN LAUGH AND PLAY.
	FOR MEDICAL EDGE, I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS