

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge
Choosing A Thoracic Surgeon

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	MAYBE IT'S LUNG CANCER ESOPHOGEAL CANCER OR SOME OTHER PROBLEM IN YOUR CHEST. IF YOU NEED AN OPERATION YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE IN THE BEST HANDS, RIGHT? SO HOW DO YOU START LOOKING FOR A SURGEON?
Mark Allen, M.D. Track 4 (4:18)	"MOST PEOPLE DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS TO BE BOARD CERTIFIED."
	DR. MARK ALLEN IS A THORACIC SURGEON AT MAYO CLINIC. HE SAYS BOARD CERTIFICATION REQUIRES CERTIFIED SURGICAL

	<p>EXPERIENCE, RIGOROUS STUDY AS WELL AS PASSING BOTH AN ORAL AND WRITTEN TESTS. IT'S A GOOD PLACE TO START, BUT...</p>
<p>Dr. Allen Track 4 (7:16)</p>	<p>"IT'S NOT JUST THE SURGEON TAKING CARE OF THE OPERATION. BUT THERE'S A WHOLE TEAM OF PEOPLE THAT'S HELPING OUT."</p>
	<p>AND NOT JUST THE OTHER DOCTORS AND NURSES. DR. ALLEN SAYS THAT INCLUDES EVERYONE FROM THE PARKING ATTENDANT TO THE PERSON PREPARING YOUR FOOD. AND IF POSSIBLE, LOOK FOR A HOSPITAL THAT HAS DONE A LOT OF THE PARTICULAR OPERATION YOU NEED, BECAUSE EXPERIENCE MAKES ANY TEAM BETTER.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>
