

**Mayo Clinic Medical Edge**

**Surgery for Epilepsy**

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<b>Intro with music</b>	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	THE SEIZURES CAN STRIKE AT ANY TIME. THAT'S WHY EPILEPSY CAN AFFECT YOUR CAREER, YOUR RELATIONSHIPS, YOUR VERY INDEPENDENCE.
<b>Fredric Meyer, M.D.</b> <b>Track 1 (1:13)</b>	"IF YOU ASK AN EPILEPSY PATIENT WHAT THEY WANT MORE THAN ANYTHING, MORE OFTEN THAN NOT THE STATEMENT WILL BE 'I WANT TO DRIVE, I WANT TO BE INDEPENDENT.'"
	AS A NEUROSURGEON AT MAYO CLINIC, DR. FRED MEYER HELPS SOME PATIENTS REGAIN INDEPENDENCE. WHILE

	<p>MEDICATIONS CAN HELP MOST PATIENTS CONTROL THEIR SEIZURES, ABOUT ONE IN THREE CAN'T.</p>
<p><b>Dr. Meyer</b> <b>Track 1 (9:30)</b></p>	<p>“AND IN THAT CASE A SURGICAL EVALUATION NEEDS TO BE PERFORMED.”</p>
	<p>IF THE SPOT WHERE THE SEIZURE IS STARTING CAN BE IDENTIFIED, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO REMOVE IT. OF COURSE ANY SURGERY NEEDS TO BE BALANCED AGAINST THE RISK OF CAUSING OTHER NEUROLOGIC DAMAGE. BUT IN GENERAL, DR. MEYER SAYS EPILEPSY SURGERY IS VERY SAFE WHILE PROVIDING GOOD SEIZURE CONTROL.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT <a href="http://MAYOCLINIC.ORG">MAYOCLINIC.ORG</a>. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>
