

Mayo Clinic's Medical Edge
Schizophrenia & Suicide

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	IN PART IT WAS THE VOICES, THE AUDITORY HALLUCINATIONS THAT ONE DAY DROVE FRED ZEISMER TO WANT TO PULL THE TRIGGER.
Fred Zeismer, patient	"I PUT MY 4-10 UP I HAD THE BARREL IN MY MOUTH AND I PUT MY TOE ON THE TRIGGER."
	BUT HE DIDN'T PULL IT. FOR TEN YEARS FRED HAS BATTLED THE SYMPTOMS OF SEVERE DEPRESSION AND SCHIZOPHRENIA RESEARCHERS HAVE LONG THOUGHT THAT PEOPLE WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA HAD A SUICIDE

	<p>RATE MORE THAN 10-TIMES THAT OF THE GENERAL POPULATION. BUT A LARGE STUDY AT MAYO CLINIC SHOWS IT'S ACTUALLY MUCH SMALLER.</p>
<p>John Michael Bostwick, M.D.</p>	<p>“WHAT WE FOUND WAS A LITTLE MORE THAN 5-PERCENT. AND FURTHER MORE WE FOUND THAT THE SUICIDE WAS CONCENTRATED IN THE FIRST FEW YEARS OF THE ILLNESS.”</p>
	<p>THAT KNOWLEDGE SAYS DR. JOHN MICHAEL BOSTWICK, ALLOWS DOCTORS TO FOCUS ON THAT TIME AND HELP PEOPLE GET THE MEDICATIONS AND THERAPY THEY NEED.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR LOG ONTO MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>

