

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Epilepsy Basics

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	TWO AND A HALF MILLION PEOPLE... THAT'S ABOUT THE SIZE OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO. IT'S ALSO ROUGHLY THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE LIVING WITH EPILEPSY.
Jerry Shih, M.D. Track 1 (:33)	"EPILEPSY BY DEFINITION IS WHEN A PERSON HAS TWO OR MORE UNPROVOKED SEIZURES."
	EPILEPSY CAN OCCUR AT ANY TIME, BUT MAYO CLINIC DR. JERRY SHIH SAYS IT COMMONLY STARTS EITHER IN EARLY CHILDHOOD, OR LATE ADULT LIFE. WHY? BECAUSE YOU'RE EITHER BORN WITH A PREDISPOSITION OR...

<p>Dr. Shih Track 1 (2:50)</p>	<p>“LATER IN LIFE WE’RE OBVIOUSLY AT RISK FOR STROKES, FOR ALZHEIMER’S, FOR OTHER PROCESSES WHICH CAN CAUSE SCARRING ON THE BRAIN AND THEREFORE INCREASE THE CHANCES OF HAVING SEIZURES.”</p>
	<p>THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT MEDICATION, SURGERY AND OTHER TREATMENTS HELP MOST PATIENTS CONTROL THEIR SEIZURES AND REGAIN CONTROL OF THEIR LIVES.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>