

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Blood Components

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
	GIVING BLOOD IS AN EASY WAY TO HELP SAVE A LIFE. BLOOD HAS SEVERAL COMPONENTS—RED BLOOD CELLS, PLASMA AND PLATELETS—THAT, INDIVIDUALLY, CAN HELP SEVERAL PATIENTS. DR. SERGIO TORLONI IS A TRANSFUSION MEDICINE SPECIALIST AT MAYO CLINIC.
Sergio Torloni, M.D. Track 2 (8:15)	"PATIENTS WHO BLEED A LOT RECEIVE PACKED RED BLOOD CELLS."
	THAT MEANS A CONCENTRATED TRANSFUSION OF RED BLOOD CELLS FOR ACCIDENT VICTIMS OR

	<p>MAYBE SOME SURGICAL PATIENTS. PLASMA—THE LIQUID PART OF THE BLOOD—PROMOTES CLOTTING. PLATELETS HELP CANCER AND LEUKEMIA PATIENTS REGAIN PLATELETS LOST DURING CHEMOTHERAPY. SEPARATING THESE COMPONENTS USED TO BE AN ADDED STEP. BUT WITH TODAY’S TECHNOLOGY.</p>
<p>Dr. Torloni Track 2 (7:45)</p>	<p>“THESE MACHINES WILL ACTUALLY DO THIS AUTOMATICALLY AND WHEN YOU’RE DONE YOU HAVE TWO OR THREE PRODUCTS.</p>
	<p>AND BY DONATING ONCE YOU CAN TOUCH THE LIVES OF TWO OR THREE DIFFERENT PATIENTS.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>

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