

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Pectus Repair

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	PICTURES OF HIS GRANDSON'S ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEDDING BRING BACK MIXED EMOTIONS FOR PATRICK MARRS. FOND THOUGHTS OF THE WEDDING COUPLE MINGLE WITH MEMORIES OF BEING VERY SICK.
Patrick Marrs, patient	"I WAS HAVING DIFFICULTY BREATHING. GASPING FOR BREATH BASICALLY"
	PATRICK THOUGHT IT WAS THE THIN MOUNTAIN AIR. BUT HIS BREATHING PROBLEMS WERE ACTUALLY CAUSED BY A CONDITION HE'S HAD SINCE BIRTH.

<p>[JAIR-OH-ZEW-SKI]</p>	<p>IT'S CALLED PECTUS. MAYO CLINIC DR. DAWN JAROSZEWSKI SAYS PECTUS EXCAVATUM IS THOUGHT TO BE THE RESULT OF AN OVER GROWTH OF CARTILAGE THAT PUSHES THE RIBS AND STERNUM INWARD.</p>
<p>Dawn Jaroszewski, M.D.</p>	<p>“IN MR. MARR’S CASE IT DROPS DOWN INSIDE AND IT IS ACTUALLY PRESSING ON THE HEART.”</p>
	<p>THAT PRESSURE PREVENTED PATRICK’S HEART FROM PUMPING PROPERLY. SURGERY TO LIFT THE STERNUM OFF THE HEART AND FIX IT IN PLACE SOLVED THE PROBLEM. NOW PATRICK’S READY TO HEAD BACK TO THE MOUNTAINS TO ENJOY THE SCENERY HE MISSED AT THE WEDDING.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I’M VIVIEN</p>

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