

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

Palliative Care

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	THINK ABOUT THE LAST TIME YOU HAD A BAD COLD OR THE FLU. IT'S KIND OF NICE TO HAVE SOMEONE AROUND TO BABY US. YET WHEN A REALLY SERIOUS ILLNESS HITS, MUCH OF THAT THOUGHT GOES OUT THE DOOR.
Tom Fitch, M.D. Track 1 (:25)	"AS MEDICINE HAS BECOME MORE AND MORE TECHNOLOGY BASED, DOING MORE AND MORE TESTS TO COME UP WITH A DIAGNOSIS, TO TREAT PATIENTS, WE SOMETIMES DON'T PAY AS MUCH ATTENTION TO THE SYMPTOMS THAT PEOPLE ARE DEALING WITH."

	AND NOT JUST THE PHYSICAL SYMPTOMS SAYS MAYO CLINIC DR. TOM FITCH... BUT THE PSYCHOLOGICAL, SOCIAL, SPIRITUAL AND EMOTIONAL ONES AS WELL. THAT'S CALLED PALLIATIVE MEDICINE.
Dr. Fitch Track 1 (:40)	"REALLY IT'S PAYING ATTENTION TO AND TAKING CARE OF ALL OF THE PATIENT."
	AND THEIR FAMILIES. IT'S NOTHING NEW. DR. FITCH SAYS PALLIATIVE CARE IS SOMETHING WE'VE TRIED TO DO THROUGHOUT MEDICINE. IT'S JUST THAT NOW, MORE AND MORE PATIENTS ARE DEMANDING IT.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.

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