

Mayo Clinic's Medical Edge
Surviving Childhood Cancer

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC'S MEDICAL EDGE.
Nats of Guitar	"MY DAD TAUGHT ME HOW TO PLAY GUITAR WHEN I WAS SEVEN."
	A GIFT THAT GAVE JOSH BLAKE THE ABILITY TO ESCAPE INTO HIS MUSIC... HELPING HIM FIGHT AND WIN A SIX-YEAR BATTLE WITH LEUKEMIA. 10 YEARS AGO, JOSH MIGHT NOT HAVE MADE IT. MAYO CLINIC DR. VIVEK ROY SAYS THAT'S BECAUSE NOW, DOCTORS HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF MANY CHILDHOOD CANCERS.
Vivek Roy, M.D.	"A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE BIOLOGY OF CANCER CELLS."

	<p>BUT IT'S ALSO LED TO MORE KIDS STRUGGLING WITH LONG-TERM SIDE EFFECTS OF TREATMENT. JOSH FOR INSTANCE, HAD THREE BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTS FOLLOWED BY COURSES OF ANTI-REJECTION DRUGS THAT CAN DAMAGE YOUR JOINTS. DR. ROY SAYS IT'S VITAL FOR JOSH, OR ANY CANCER SURVIVOR TO CONTINUE FOLLOW UP EXAMS. THAT WAY DOCTORS CAN CHECK FOR ANY ADDITIONAL LONG-TERM SIDE EFFECTS OF TREATMENT.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>