Welcome to Mayo Clinic
Over 100 years of finding answers

Each year, more than 500,000 people from all walks of life come to Mayo Clinic. Our patients come from all 50 states and nearly 150 countries. For more than 100 years, they have come for hope and for healing. Most of all, they have come for answers.

At Mayo Clinic, those answers come from teams of doctors representing virtually every subspecialty of medicine, working together to diagnose and treat every kind of illness and condition. This teamwork ensures that our patients benefit from the most thorough approach to their condition, which often includes input from doctors in a number of medical specialties. It also means that patients can easily get a second opinion — or third or fourth — when necessary. Each Mayo Clinic patient benefits from the

ANSWERS • “My movement disorder began when I was 17 and a senior in high school. Thanks to my doctors at Mayo, I didn’t have to take on this sudden disability, and one year later I am a full-time college student, looking forward to a future as an independent adult. I know it’s not over yet, though. I have had occasional recurrences, and I could again in the future, but I know as long as I’m willing to keep fighting, my doctors at Mayo are too.”

—Chloe Williams • Williams’ movement disorder, called myoclonus, was treated with brain surgery at Mayo Clinic.
expertise of more than 3,700 doctors and scientists who all share the same goal: working together to understand and meet the needs of their patients.

Mayo Clinic began as a small family practice in the farm fields near Rochester, Minn. Mayo’s founders, William J. Mayo, M.D., and Charles Mayo, M.D., began their medical careers beside their father, William Worrall Mayo, M.D. Dr. Mayo instilled in his sons the values that continue to guide Mayo Clinic: a commitment to patients, an insatiable curiosity and an enthusiasm for sharing knowledge.

Dr. Mayo also taught his sons that two heads were better than one, and three or four were even better. This philosophy led Drs. Will and Charlie to invite specialists from many fields to join their practice. The “Mayo’s clinic” became the first group practice of medicine, with doctors and other health care providers working together to provide patients with the best care possible. That tradition continues today.

Mayo Clinic staff also carry on the Mayo brothers’ interests in scientific research and medical education. More than 350 scientists lead research programs that hold the promise of new treatments and a better understanding of disease. Through its College of Medicine, Mayo Clinic is ensuring that the Mayo Model of Care is passed on to the next generation of health care providers and scientists, both

THE ART OF MEDICINE · “The moment I came to Mayo, I fell in love with the place. I expected to be impressed, but I never expected to be swept off my feet. I got the sense from everyone I met that they were part of something bigger than themselves. I was instantly attracted to the way things are done at Mayo. They live the values of the Mayo brothers.”

—David Mann, M.D. · Dr. Mann is a 2006 graduate of Mayo Medical School.

A doctor who comes out of Mayo Medical School went into medicine for the right reason — a commitment to helping people. Mayo does a wonderful job of helping you become the best doctor — and the best person — you can be.”

practice, education...
those who will care for Mayo Clinic patients and those who will practice elsewhere.

The Mayo brothers learned the importance of philanthropy from their father. Inspired by his example of giving back to others, Drs. Will and Charlie decided as young men to live on half of their income and invest the other half in a fund that would benefit humanity through medical education and research. Twenty-five years later, this fund was used to establish Mayo Clinic as a not-for-profit organization.

Today, Mayo remains a not-for-profit organization with all proceeds beyond operating expenses supporting the clinic’s efforts in patient care, research and medical education. Benefactor support is essential to sustaining Mayo’s mission and advancing medicine worldwide.

WHERE PASSION MEETS COMPASSION • “We feel so blessed that Teagan was taken to Mayo. The staff was amazing. They treated us like we were members of the president's family, like we were the most important people in the world. It didn't matter who we were, or what kind of insurance we did or didn’t have. We felt like everyone at Mayo was as concerned about our daughter as we were.”
—Katie Gislason • Gislason's daughter, Teagan, was cared for in the Emergency Department at Saint Marys Hospital.
A not-for-profit organization where patients are our first priority.

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Mayo Clinic works with many insurance companies and is an in-network provider for millions of people. In most cases, Mayo Clinic doesn’t require a physician referral.

If you wish to know more about Mayo Clinic’s efforts and opportunities to support them, you may write or call:
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GIVING BACK • “Through our experiences, we’ve seen the impressive variety of patients that Mayo serves. We understand the financial needs of its operation, and helping Mayo keep doing what it does feels good.”

—Jim and Linda Taggart • Mayo Clinic patients and benefactors