**Mayo Clinic Minute: Regenerative medicine is transforming health care**

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Dr. Andre Terzic underscores innovations in regenerative medicine as transformative in health care — from building new tissues and organs to triggering your body to heal itself.

Andre Terzic, M.D., Ph.D.  
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“Let’s say you cut your skin and the skin will heal on its own. That ability that is very preeminent with the skin, we’d like to see with other organs.”

The present and future of regenerative medicine could be applied to help heal heart disease and other vital organs, life-threatening cancer, musculoskeletal and neurological diseases and injuries, and even create new organs for transplantation.

“For us, it’s very important to create true hope for patients, true solutions that are both verifiable, validated through many, many of the clinical studies.”

It’s a transformative view of medicine from managing patient symptoms to truly going after the root cause of the problem.

“The future is remarkable.

The word ‘cures’ will be increasingly real.”

For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I’m Jason Howland.