Mayo Clinic Minute

Low Testosterone Issues

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Testosterone is a vital male hormone.
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It's essentially the hormone that's responsible for a
lot of things we attribute to men, in particular.
Things like strength and muscle mass.
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If you have testosterone, a certain type of cell in
the body will tend to go towards muscle. If you
don't have testosterone, it tends to move toward a
fat-type cell.
A lack of testosterone also affects sex drive,
erectile function, red blood cell production – even
bone density.
With that much at stake, you may wonder: Should
men undergo routine screening for testosterone?
And, right now, the answer to that is probably no.
However, Mayo Clinic urologist Dr. Landon Trost
says tests are beneficial for men with specific
symptoms that might be linked to low testosterone.
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Issues like diabetes, erectile dysfunction, low
libido, difficulty putting on muscle or increasing abdominal fat.
Anytime you're noticing those symptoms or if you
notice that you're clearly different than others in
your same age group, it's a good time to at least
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