3 Reasons You Need a 3D Mammogram

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Vivien Williams	For many women over 40, a yearly mammogram is a fact of life – along with the anxiety of waiting for the results.
Vivien Williams	But what if you could get a test that offered better cancer detection, fewer false positives and more peace of mind?
	Mayo Clinic radiologist Dr. Robert Maxwell says, with a 3D mammogram –many women can.
Vivien Williams	The technology is also called tomosynthesis
Robert Maxwell, M.D. Radiology Mayo Clinic	"3D mammograms allow us to be more accurate in our ability to detect and diagnose cancer as compared to traditional 2D mammograms."
Vivien Williams	2D mammograms provide only two images of the breast
Robert Maxwell, M.D. 00:18:24	"A 3D mammogram would obtain approximately 300 images as compared to the 2D mammogram, which is four images. "
Vivien Williams	And that means better cancer detection. And fewer false alarms.
Robert Maxwell, M.D. 00:21:56	"3D mammograms allow the radiologist to see the breast tissue in greater detail and be able to provide a more certain diagnosis."
Vivien Williams	This is especially valuable for women with dense breasts, who are at higher risk of cancer.
Robert Maxwell, M.D. 00:10:13	"It means greater peace of mind."
Vivien Williams	For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I'm Vivien Williams.