



Suspected amniotic fluid embolism leads to maternal cardiac arrest and rapid ECMO response at Mayo Clinic

VIDEO	AUDIO
NAT SOT KAYLA GENGLER	"Thank you so much. Great to see you."
NAT SOT KAYLA GENGLER	"Yes, yes."
NAT SOT CARE TEAM MEMBER	"And you too, happy birthday!" "Yeah!"
SOT Kayla Gengler Patient	"It's really special. Today is a really sad day in a lot of ways because I didn't get to hold her. I didn't get to have that chest-to-chest time, and just to celebrate her, because it also could have been that we could have not made it through that situation. And with our medical team, we were able to. And I hold on to that."
NAT SOT BABY CRYING ...	"Yeah, you're getting sleepy, yeah."
SOT Vanessa Torbenson, M.D. Obstetrics and Gynecology Mayo Clinic	"She expressed that she wasn't feeling well. She just had some expressions on her face that I've kind of seen at other times before. That made me very concerned that something acute had happened. We immediately moved to do a cesarean."
SOT Troy Seelhammer, M.D. Anesthesiology Mayo Clinic	"There was a period of time where her heart was not appropriately ejecting blood from the body, so you really only have a very brief period of time to try and save her life."
NAT SOT CARE TEAM	"And Dr. Seelhammer was covering the unit, so he did the kind of the post-cannulation immediate care. I stayed with you for the first three hours or so. We spent 48 hours on ECMO?"
SOT DR. TROY SEELHAMMER	"Yeah."

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NAT SOT CARE TEAM	“Between 48 and 72, so ... two to three days, yeah.”
SOT DR. TROY SEELHAMMER	“ECMO, or E-C-M-O — actually, each letter stands for something. It’s extracorporeal membrane oxygenation. And what this technology is, is our current most advanced form of artificial life support.”
SOT AJ Gengler Kayla’s Husband	“So I think it just reinforced what I had already been told and kind of observed myself through my own team that I work with.”
SOT KAYLA GENGLER	“You know, those are some of the worst days of our lives in there, and there were so many caring people that cared for our bodies but also our hearts.”
NAT SOT CARE TEAM	“So it’s so, so great to see you guys. Absolutely.”
SOT DR. TROY SEELHAMMER	“To see them living their lives, to enjoying life, and not just living but thriving a year later is really, honestly, what keeps us going through these long nights, long days and all the challenges that our teams meet with on a regular basis.”
SOT KAYLA GENGLER	“We get to be here and we get to celebrate her first birthday, and we get to do all the things. We get to go to the park, and we get to go on walks, and we get to celebrate all of life’s amazing moments ...”
NATS Baby Ida noise, laughter	“Ida.”
SOT KAYLA GENGLER	“... and so I’m super thankful for that.”