

'A gamechanger'

Optimism follows announcement of new treatment for fatty liver

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"We know that people who lose 5 to 10% of their body weight are able to make improvement with fatty liver disease. It is considered a reversible condition." (:09)

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"It works on thyroid-B receptors in the liver. We normally think of thyroid receptors in our thyroid gland [in our throat], but we do have thyroid beta receptors elsewhere. A lot of them are in the liver. The medication works to release triglycerides from the liver. It improves and may even resolve fatty liver." (:26)

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"If somebody is taking a statin for cholesterol levels. It's not that we want them to go off their statin. There are certain limitations to the dosage." (:10)