

It was a typical August night for Stacie Jones Upchurch. Just after having dinner and a glass of wine with a friend, she returned home for the evening. Fifteen minutes later Stacie's life changed forever. She suffered a major seizure and was rushed to Mount Sinai where she was diagnosed with a ruptured brain aneurysm, which in the medical community is known as the "Silent Killer." For more than fifty percent of patients, an aneurysm is fatal.

When it comes to treating an aneurysm, time is the enemy. Stacie suffered a total of three strokes related to her hemorrhage. The doctors at Mount Sinai Health System's Department of Neurosurgery immediately responded to Stacie's rapidly deteriorating condition. After stabilizing her in the emergency room, she underwent a revolutionary procedure that involves snaking microcatheters through the femoral artery

into the brain and sealing off the injured vessels. Her head was shaved and a tube was inserted in her skull to allow the fluid to drain, relieving the intense pressure resulting from the traumatic brain injury.

After recovering from the procedure, Stacie left Mount Sinai and returned home. She is doing extremely well. She says she is blessed to be alive, take care of her children and, most importantly, watch them grow up.

For her, life is a gift. A gift she gladly gets to open each and every day thanks to the doctors at Mount Sinai.

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