## LIVER CANCER AWARENESS DR. SUMEET ASRANI, HEPATOLOGIST, BAYLOR UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER BAYLOR SCOTT & WHITE HEALTH

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OCTOBER IS LIVER CANCER AWARENESS MONTH-<u>ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT</u> HERE IN TEXAS... WE RANK AT THE TOP FOR RATES OF LIVER CANCER IN THE NATION.

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DOCTOR SUMEET ASRANI WITH BAYLOR SCOTT AND WHITE TREATS PATIENTS WITH LIVER CANCER. HE SAYS HISTORICALLY.... HEAVY DRINKERS AND THOSE WITH HEPATITIS-C WERE THE HIGHEST RISK GROUPS FOR LIVER DISEASE. BUT NOW... HE SAYS THEY'RE SEEING A NEW HIGH-RISK GROUP DEVELOP.

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Often what these patients have is fatty liver. And so fatty liver in some patients can end up leading to a damaged liver, which over 20, 30 years can become hard and eventually in that hard liver, patients can get liver cancer.

{\*\*ON CAM\*\*} HE SAYS THREE THINGS PEOPLE CAN DO TO REDUCE THEIR RISK ARE SCREENING FOR HEPATITIS-C... REDUCING THEIR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION...AND MAINTAINING A HEALTHY WEIGHT.