The thyroid is a small, butterfly-shaped gland located at the base of the neck just below the Adam's apple. It produces important hormones that influence the heart, brain, liver, kidneys and skin. Although the thyroid is small, it plays a huge role in maintaining the function of these organs.

When Things Go Wrong

The thyroid is vital for the growth, development and regulation of the body. Several different disorders can arise when your thyroid produces too much hormone (hyperthyroidism) or not enough (hypothyroidism).

COMMON THYROID DISORDERS

- Thyroid Nodules
- Thyroid Cancer
- Thyroid Eye Disease
- Hyperthyroidism
- Hypothyroidism
- Graves' Disease
- Hashimoto's Thyroiditis

Millions Are Affected By Thyroid Disease – And Don't Even Know It

MORE THAN 36 MILLION

Americans will develop some form of thyroid condition

UP TO 60%

of those with thyroid disease are unaware of their condition

WOMEN ARE 5X

more likely to suffer from hypothyroidism

30-50%

OF PATIENTS

with thyroid disease have eye symptoms that may impair their vision

Are You At Risk?

Common risk factors associated with thyroid disorders

- Type 1 diabetes
- Past radiation treatment to the head or neck area
- Family history
- Recent pregnancy

Don’t Let Your Thyroid Condition Go Untreated

Undiagnosed thyroid disease may put you at risk for other serious conditions

Heart disease

Weight gain

Infertility

Osteoporosis

If you’ve had it Up To Here

Find an endocrinologist in your area: aace.com/find-an-endo

Learn more about your thyroid: thyroidawareness.com

Sources