

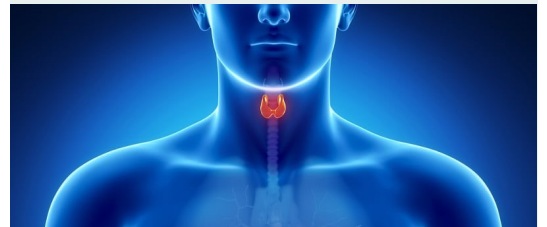
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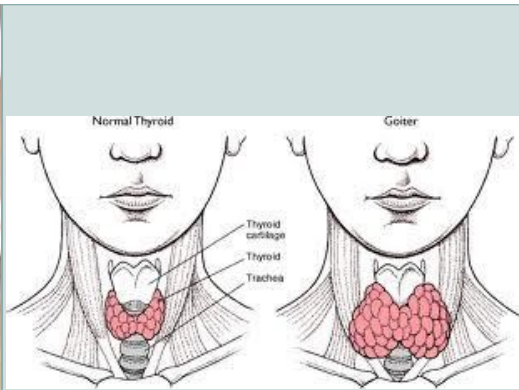
- Autoimmune disease (Grave's disease)
- Thyroiditis
- Overactive thyroid nodules
- Too much iodine
- Too much thyroid medication

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Hyperthyroidism





What is Hyperthyroidism?

The thyroid is a butterfly shaped gland in the neck. It produces hormones that are important in how the body uses energy. In hyperthyroidism the thyroid produces too much hormone leading to an increased metabolism and a variety of symptoms.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Weight loss
- Rapid or irregular heartbeat
- Heart palpitations
- Increased appetite
- Nervousness/anxiety
- Irritability
- Tremor
- Changes in period
- Increased heat sensitivity
- Change in bowel movements
- Enlarged thyroid
- Fatigue, muscle weakness
- Difficulty sleeping
- Fine, brittle hair

TREATMENT

- Medications
- Radioiodine therapy
- Surgery

