

How Much Do You Know About Diabetic Eye Disease?

Did you know that people with diabetes are at risk for diabetic eye disease, a group of eye problems that can lead to vision loss and even blindness?

Other facts about diabetic eye disease are:

- ▶ Diabetic eye disease includes cataract, glaucoma, and diabetic retinopathy.
- ▶ Diabetic eye disease often has no early warning signs.
- ▶ People with diabetes should have a comprehensive dilated eye exam at least once a year to detect problems early, before vision is lost.
- ▶ Vision that is lost often cannot be restored.
- ▶ About 95 percent of blindness can be prevented through early detection, timely treatment, and appropriate follow-up.

Newer and better treatments for diabetic retinopathy are now available. Talk with your eye care provider about what may work for you.



Normal Vision



Vision With Advanced
Diabetic Retinopathy



Video:

This webinar discusses what people with diabetic eye disease know about their eyes.



It's important to know more about your eyes, especially if you have diabetes!
To learn more about diabetic eye disease, visit <http://www.nei.nih.gov/diabetes>.

