

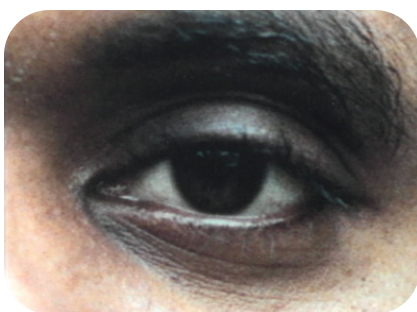


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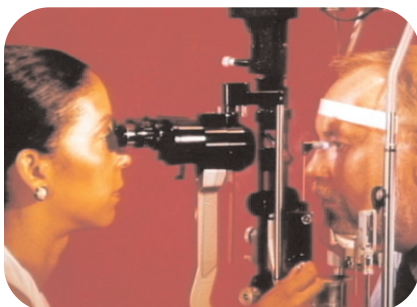
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GLAUCOMA DETECTION



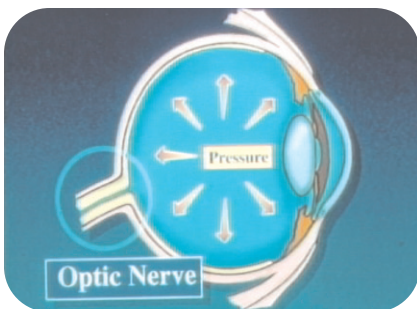
LOSING SIGHT OF GOOD EYE CARE COULD MEAN LOSING YOUR SIGHT PERMANENTLY. ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE AT RISK FOR GLAUCOMA, A LEADING CAUSE OF VISION LOSS.



GLAUCOMA AFFECTS ABOUT THREE MILLION AMERICANS. HIGHER RISK GROUPS ARE ANYONE OVER AGE 60, BLACKS OVER AGE 40 AND PEOPLE WHO HAVE A FAMILY HISTORY OF GLAUCOMA. IN MANY PEOPLE, GLAUCOMA OCCURS WHEN FLUID PRESSURE IN THE EYE PROGRESSIVELY INCREASES, LEADING TO OPTIC NERVE DAMAGE AND REDUCED PERIPHERAL VISION.



AS THE DISEASE WORSENS, THE FIELD OF VISION GRADUALLY NARROWS AND BLINDNESS MAY RESULT. A DILATED EYE EXAM IS CONSIDERED THE BEST WAY TO DETECT GLAUCOMA.



EXPERTS RECOMMEND THAT PEOPLE AT RISK FOR THE DISEASE HAVE SUCH AN EXAMINATION AT LEAST EVERY TWO YEARS. IF DETECTED AND TREATED EARLY, GLAUCOMA CAN USUALLY BE SLOWED AND SERIOUS VISION LOSS CAN BE PREVENTED.