

Mayo Clinic Medical Edge

What is Glaucoma

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Intro with music	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	WE ALL KNOW HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE CAN LEAD TO BIG PROBLEMS. THAT'S WHY IT SHOULD BE CHECKED REGULARLY. BUT WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU HAD YOUR EYE PRESSURE TAKEN?
Arthur Sit, M.D. Track 1 (:55)	"THE EYE PRESSURE IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN CAUSING DAMAGE TO THE OPTIC NERVE AND EVENTUALLY CAUSING VISION LOSS."
	IT'S A COMMON RESULT OF GLAUCOMA. MAYO CLINIC OPHTHALMOLOGIST DR. ARTHUR

	<p>SIT SAYS THAT'S WHEN FLUID IN THE EYE DOESN'T DRAIN THE WAY IT'S SUPPOSED TO. DOCTORS DON'T ALWAYS KNOW WHY THIS HAPPENS. AND BECAUSE IT USUALLY HAPPENS SO SLOWLY...</p>
<p>Dr. Sit. Track 1 (4:44)</p>	<p>"GLAUCOMA'S SOMETIMES CALLED THE THIEF IN THE NIGHT BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE DON'T SEE COMING AND YOU DON'T REALLY NOTICE AT FIRST."</p>
	<p>VISION LOST TO GLAUCOMA CAN'T BE RESTORED, BUT MEDICATIONS CAN USUALLY KEEP IT FROM PROGRESSING. THAT'S WHY IF YOU'RE OVER 30 REGULAR GLAUCOMA SCREENING SHOULD BE PART OF YOUR ROUTINE.</p>
	<p>FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT MAYOCLINIC.ORG. I'M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.</p>
