

Eye Pain

This material will help you understand eye pain.

What is eye pain?

Eye pain may be a burning, throbbing, aching, or stabbing sensation. Some types of eye pain will go away with rest. However, pain in or around the eye can also be the sign of a health problem.

What causes eye pain?

There are many causes of pain in or around the eye:

- Infections
- Inflammation
- Dry eye
- Eyestrain
- Headache
- Acute glaucoma
- Neuropathy

How does the doctor find the cause of my eye pain?

Your eye doctor does a complete eye exam. This includes checking your vision, eye movements, and the back of your eye. Your doctor also asks you questions about your symptoms and when your pain started.

How is eye pain treated?

The treatment for eye pain depends on the cause. Be sure to talk to your doctor about your treatment options. Let your doctor know if your pain does not go away.

For more information, scan these codes with your smartphone or visit the websites listed.



<http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/003032.htm>

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