

# Look out for your eyes

## Diabetes can affect sight

If you're having difficulty seeing, it may be a sign of diabetes.

## What is diabetes?

Diabetes is a disease in which the pancreas cannot produce insulin or the body cannot use insulin efficiently.<sup>1</sup> Insulin is needed to break down sugars and starches and turn them into energy for your body. The American Diabetes Association reports that 30.3 million people have diabetes in the United States.

If diabetes is left untreated, eye diseases such as retinopathy (damage to the retina), cataracts (clouding of eye lens) and glaucoma (increased fluid pressure in the eye) could develop, blurring vision and eventually causing blindness.

## Know the symptoms

The early symptoms of diabetic retinopathy may be hard to detect. According to the National Eye Institute, you may experience changes in your vision (blurry vision, floating spots) or have difficulty reading or seeing faraway objects.

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## Visit your eye doctor for an exam and treatment

An ophthalmologist or optometrist can examine the retina for signs of eye disease, including diabetic retinopathy. If diabetic retinopathy is detected, it can be treated by laser surgery. Proper medication, close monitoring of blood sugar levels, a healthy diet and regular exercise can help and reduce the likelihood of vision-related complications.

<sup>1</sup>[www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes/overview/what-is-diabetes](http://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes/overview/what-is-diabetes)

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- You may file a complaint, also known as a grievance:  
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If you need help filing a grievance, call **1-877-320-1235** or if you use a **TTY**, call **711**.
- You can also file a civil rights complaint with the **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**, Office for Civil Rights electronically through their Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocrportal/lobby.jsf>, or at **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, DC 20201, **1-800-368-1019**, **800-537-7697 (TDD)**. Complaint forms are available at <https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>.
- **California residents:** You may also call California Department of Insurance toll-free hotline number: **1-800-927-HELP (4357)**, to file a grievance.

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### Language assistance services, free of charge, are available to you. 1-877-320-1235 (TTY: 711)

**Español (Spanish):** Llame al número arriba indicado para recibir servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística.

**繁體中文 (Chinese):** 撥打上面的電話號碼即可獲得免費語言援助服務。

**Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese):** Xin gọi số điện thoại trên đây để nhận được các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ miễn phí.

**한국어 (Korean):** 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 받으려면 위의 번호로 전화하십시오.

**Tagalog (Tagalog – Filipino):** Tawagan ang numero sa itaas upang makatanggap ng mga serbisyo ng tulong sa wika nang walang bayad.

**Русский (Russian):** Позвоните по номеру, указанному выше, чтобы получить бесплатные услуги перевода.

**Kreyòl Ayisyen (French Creole):** Rele nimewo ki pi wo la a, pou resevwa sèvis èd pou lang ki gratis.

**Français (French):** Appelez le numéro ci-dessus pour recevoir gratuitement des services d'aide linguistique.

**Polski (Polish):** Aby skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej, proszę zadzwonić pod wyżej podany numer.

**Português (Portuguese):** Ligue para o número acima indicado para receber serviços linguísticos, grátis.

**Italiano (Italian):** Chiamare il numero sopra per ricevere servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti.

**Deutsch (German):** Wählen Sie die oben angegebene Nummer, um kostenlose sprachliche Hilfsdienstleistungen zu erhalten.

**日本語 (Japanese):** 無料の言語支援サービスをご要望の場合は、上記の番号までお電話ください。

**فارسی (Farsi)**

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**Diné Bizaad (Navajo):** Wóda hí béésh bee hani'í bee wolta'ígíí bich'í' hódíílnih éí bee t'áá jiik'éh saad bee áká'ánída'áwo'déé nika'adoowol.

**العربية (Arabic)**

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