Glimpsing glaucoma: The silent eye threat

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"There's a lens in the front of the camera. There's film in the back. There's a cable connected to the back of the camera. That cable is the optic nerve. It connects the back of the eye to the back of the brain where the images get processed." (:15)

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"Getting checked early is the key to making sure you don't go blind from glaucoma." (:05)

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"Driving is more difficult because their visual field is constricted." (:04)

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"It used to be, 20 years ago, everyone got started on eye drops. But I think there's more evidence that doing laser therapy first is the right way to go. And I'm a huge proponent of that. Eye drops have preservatives and side effects. Once you start them, you have to continue them the rest of your life unless you switch treatment." (:20)

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"Put a drainage device in the eye. Make a little hole in the eye so fluid can flow from the inside to the outside of the eye. Put a stent in the eye. There are many options." (:14)