Quick Facts About Transient Visual Loss

What Is Transient Visual Loss?

- Transient visual loss is a temporary change in your vision, which can occur in one or both eyes and is associated with many causes.
- Patients with temporary vision loss often do not have any abnormalities on their eye examination, especially once the vision has returned to normal.

How Can Transient Visual Loss Affect Me?

- The immediate effects include a temporary reduction in your vision.
- Long term effects depend on the underlying cause.
- Possible causes include migraine, poor blood flow, swelling of the optic nerve, dry eyes, spasm of blood vessels to the retina, and rarely seizure.

What Should I Do About Transient Visual Loss?

- A neuro-ophthalmologist checks your vision, side vision (visual fields) and optic nerves.
- Your doctor may perform additional testing looking at the blood flow into your eyes, lab tests, imaging (CT, MRI, ultrasound), and heart ultrasound.
- Treatment is based on the most likely cause of the transient vision loss.

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