

## PROCEDURE

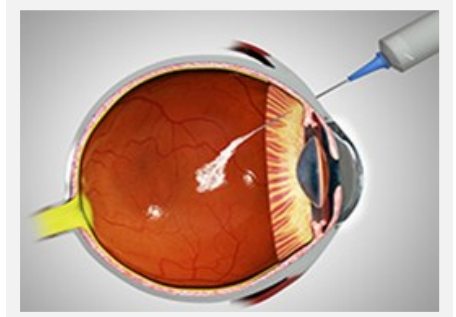
### After the procedure:

- You may feel a few sensations in the eye such as pressure and grittiness, but there should not be pain.
- Sometimes a little bleeding can occur on the white of the eye. This is normal and will go away.
- You may see eye floaters in your vision. They will improve over time.
- **DO NOT** rubs your eyes for several days.
- Avoid swimming for at least 3 days.
- Use eye drop medicine as directed.
- Report any eye pain or discomfort, redness, sensitivity to light, or changes in your vision to your provider right away.

## RISK

Side effects are rare, and many can be managed. They may include:

- Increased pressure in the eye
- Inflammation
- Bleeding
- Damage to the retina or surrounding nerves or structures
- Infection
- Vision loss
- Loss of the eye (very rare)
- Side effects from the medicines that are used
- Discuss the risks of specific medicines used in your eye with your provider.



# INTRAVITREAL INJECTION

*Eye Surgery*

## WHAT IS INTRAVITREAL INJECTION (IVTA)?

### INTRAVITREAL INJECTION IS :

- Injection into the vitreous, which is the jelly-like substance inside the eye.
- It is performed to place medicines inside the eye, near the retina.
- The medicines may help stop growth of new blood vessels by blocking the effects of growth signals the body sends to generate new blood vessels.

## CAUSES OF IVTA

- **Macular degeneration:** An eye disorder that slowly destroys sharp, central vision.
- **Macular edema:** Swelling or thickening of the macula, the part of your eye that provides sharp, central vision.
- **Diabetic retinopathy,** which can cause new, abnormal blood vessels to grow in the retina, the back part of your eye.
- **Swelling and inflammation** within the eyeball (uveitis).
- **Retinal vein occlusion:** A blockage of the veins that carry blood away from the retina and out of the eye.
- **Infections** in the inside of the eye (endophthalmitis).

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### Before the procedure:

- Tell your provider about:
- Any health problems
- Medicines you take, including any over-the-counter medicines
- Any allergies
- Any bleeding tendencies