HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW ABOUT DIABETIC RETINOPATHY?

Diabetic Retinopathy, or diabetic eye disease, is one of the leading causes of blindness. If you suffer from diabetes, do you know how to reduce the risk of losing your eyesight? In order to determine how much you know about diabetic retinopathy, circle true or false after the following sentences.

1. People with diabetes are more likely to develop certain eye diseases than people who do not have diabetes. TRUE or FALSE

2. Usually diabetic retinopathy will begin presenting symptoms in its early stages. TRUE or FALSE

3. People with diabetes should have an eye exam performed every year. TRUE or FALSE

4. Diabetic retinopathy is caused by changes in the eye's blood vessels. TRUE or FALSE

5. People with diabetes have a lower risk for developing glaucoma than people without diabetes. TRUE or FALSE

6. Laser surgery can help stop the progression of diabetic retinopathy. TRUE or FALSE

7. People with diabetes should regularly get eye exams in which their pupils are dilated. TRUE or FALSE

8. Cataracts are common in people with diabetes. TRUE or FALSE

9. People who control their diabetes reduce their risk of developing diabetic retinopathy. TRUE or FALSE

10. It is possible to reduce the risk of blindness caused by diabetic retinopathy. TRUE or FALSE

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