Glaucoma is a group of related eye disorders, resulting in progressive damage to the optic nerve of the eye. The major risk factor is intraocular pressure (IOP) that, when sufficiently elevated, will damage the optic nerve.

**FACTS**

- Glaucoma is the most common cause of irreversible blindness.
- In many cases, glaucoma may be asymptomatic, meaning it shows no symptoms; half of those living with glaucoma are unaware that they are affected.
- AI can revolutionise early detection on a larger scale; giving more accurate diagnosis.

Every one in 200 people aged 40 have glaucoma, which rises to one in eight by aged 80.

The most vulnerable include:

- **Elderly**
- **Women**
- **Ethnic minorities**
- **Indigenous people**

Family members of those with glaucoma have a ten-fold risk of getting glaucoma themselves.

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  - Non-compliance

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Increase global awareness

Increase access to knowledge and eye-care

Ultimate goal: Preserve sight globally

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Go get your eyes tested for glaucoma

Save your sight!

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78 million have glaucoma

111.8 million are predicted to have glaucoma by 2040

90% of glaucoma is undetected in developing countries

1 billion have no access to eye-care, due to unfair distribution

Know when to get checked

Because, the earlier the diagnosis, the less damage will be done and the more vision will be saved!

**Before Age 40**
- every 2 - 4 years

**From 40 - 60**
- every 2 - 3 years

**After 60**
- every 1 - 2 years

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