

Macular Pucker:

The macula is the small area in the center of the retina that allows you to see fine details clearly. As a person ages, the vitreous in the center of the eye shrinks and pulls away from the retina. As the vitreous pulls away, the retina initiates a healing response that may cause scar tissue to develop on the macula. The scar tissue can warp and contract and cause wrinkling, creasing, or bulging on the macula. Symptoms of a macular pucker can range from mild to severe and may include blurred vision, distorted or wavy vision, difficulty reading, gray and/or cloudy area in the central vision, and a central blind spot. Peripheral or "side" vision is not affected by macular puckers. Macular puckers are associated with eye conditions such as vitreous detachment, torn or detached retina, inflammation inside the eye, severe trauma to the eye, and/or disorders of the blood vessels in the retina.