Blepharitis

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Facts

- ▶ Common condition that causes inflammation of the eye lids and can affect people of all ages.
- ▶ Usually affects both eyes on the edge of the eyelids and although rarely serious, it can be an uncomfortable, persistent and irritating problem.
- Scaly and crusty eyelids and the eyes may also feel tired and gritty or become uncomfortable in sunlight or smokey atmosphere.
- ▶ Can be associated with skin conditions such as rosacea and eye conditions like conjunctivitis.
- ➤ Can relapse at any time, however you can usually deal with symptoms at home and eyesight is very rarely affected.

Treatment

You might be prescribed a combination of treatments described below depending on the type of blepharitis: anterior or posterior.

Cleaning of the lid margin

Dip a clean cotton bud in the solution* and clean away any crusts present on the eyelashes. A mirror may be helpful. Do not clean inside the eyelids as this will make them sore. Repeat the process twice a day.







*Solution

Normal saline or wipes

Use the antibiotic

Hot compresses

Soak a clean gauze in boiled water and hold it on your lids with your eyes closed, for 5 minutes twice a day, being careful that the temperature is not too hot or use normal eye mask.

Lid massage

Roll your finger/cotton bud towards the margin 10 times each for the top and bottom lid, twice a day.

Antibiotic drops

Apply as directed by pulling the lower lid off the eyeball and letting the drop fall into the pocket without touching the lid.

Antibiotic ointment

Apply as directed, by squeezing 1 cm out of the tube onto your index finger and rubbing it onto the lid margin.

It is very important that you follow the instructions in the order shown above.



Top lid, roll downwards



Bottom lid, roll upwards



You must be careful not to touch the eyeball with the cotton bud.

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