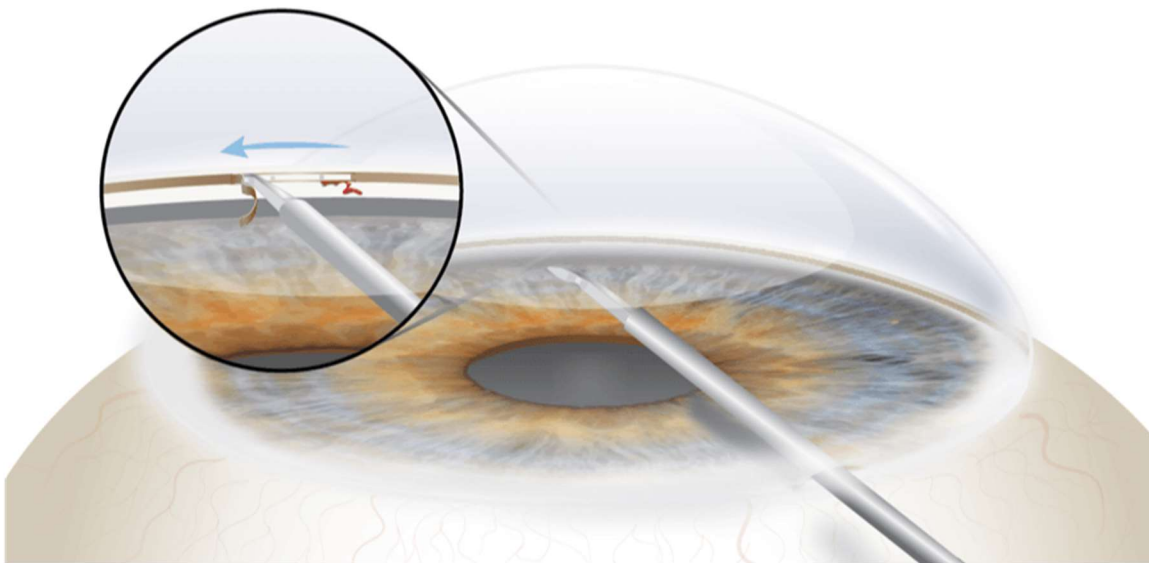


Goniotomy for Glaucoma

Goniotomy may allow for eye pressure control with or without the use of glaucoma medications. It involves cutting the first layer of the natural drainage system of the eye...the trabecular meshwork. This process allows fluid to more easily exit the eye, thus lowering the eye pressure.

The surgery is performed in the operating room under anesthesia. The eye is cleaned and numbing medication is applied. An instrument will be used to open the eyelids, then tiny incisions are made in the front of the eye. A special lens is placed on the eye to visualize the eye's natural drain. A portion of the wall blocking the drain will be removed and an open channel is created. This will allow fluid to leave the eye. This procedure takes about 20 minutes, but will take longer if performed along with cataract surgery.



Learn more about the risks, recovery and other expectations at:

<https://www.surgeryencyclopedia.com/Fi-La/Goniotomy.html>

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