## RETINAL DETACHMENT

A Clear gel called vitreous fills the middle of the eye. As we get older, the vitreous may pull away from its attachment to the retina at the back of the eye.

Usually the vitreous separates from the retina without causing problems. But sometimes the vitreous pulls hard enough to tear the retina in one or more places. Fluid may pass through the retinal tear, lifting the retina off the back of the eye, much as wallpaper can peel off a wall, it is separated from its blood supply and no longer functions properly.



## Early Symptoms of retinal detachment

- Flashing Lights
- New Floaters
- A Shadow in the periphery of your field of vision
- A gray curtain moving across your field of vision.