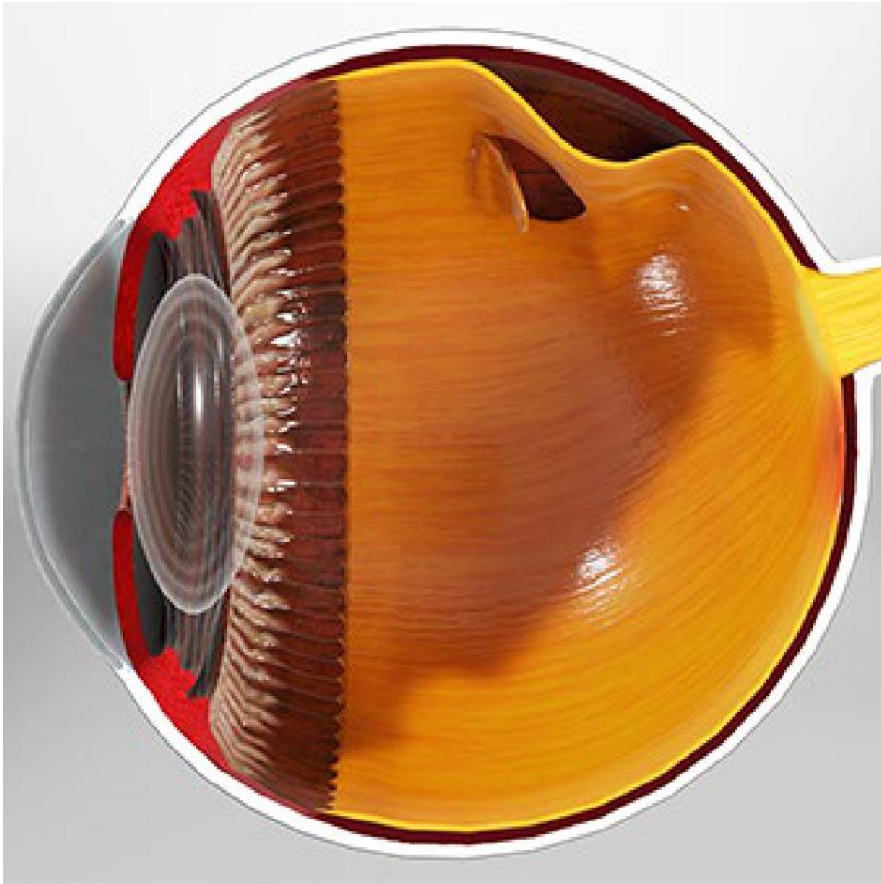




## Pneumatic Retinopexy



### Overview

This is a treatment for a detached retina. That's the thin layer of light-sensitive tissue in the back of your eye. With this procedure, a bubble of air or gas pushes your retina back into place.

### Preparation

To begin, your eye is numbed. The surgeon uses a needle to take a small amount of fluid out of your eye. This makes some room for the bubble.

### Injecting the Bubble

Next, the bubble is injected into your eye's rear chamber. It floats up and presses the retina against the eye wall. You may have a hole or a tear in your retina that allowed fluid to leak behind the retina and caused it to detach. If so, the surgeon treats your retina with a laser or with a freezing device. This causes scar tissue, which stops the leak.

### End of Procedure

When the surgery is done, the opening in your eye seals shut by itself without sutures. You will need to maintain a certain head or eye position after the procedure to make sure the bubble stays in the right place. Your vision may be blurry for a brief time. The bubble in your eye will be absorbed naturally as your eye heals. Follow all of your surgeon's instructions as you recover.