



Q. What can be done for a retinal hole or tear?

A. To seal the retina around the tear and prevent the retina peeling off, you may be asked to have one of the following procedures:

Laser - the retinal hole can be heat sealed (like spot welding) by directing a laser beam of light through the pupil of the eye. The scar produced seals the hole.

Cryotherapy - is freezing treatment applied by a pen-shaped probe to the outside of the eye. This freezes through to the retinal hole and, as with laser treatment, promotes scar tissue as a seal.

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