# What Is Age-Related Macular Degeneration? A Complete Guide

Age-related macular degeneration, or AMD, is a condition that impacts the macula, which is the part of the retina that is responsible for sharp central vision. At the Bochner Eye Institute in Toronto, our team sees this often, and we're here to explain what it means in plain language.

There are 2 main types of AMD. Dry AMD is the more common form of AMD, while wet AMD is less common but can cause vision changes more quickly.

Early AMD often comes with no symptoms at all. When symptoms show up, they sit right in the middle of your view. Blurry or dim central vision, a shadowy spot near the centre, or straight lines like a door frame looking wavy are all signs worth a prompt call rather than waiting for your next routine visit.

Treatment depends on the type and stage, and our eye care team can recommend options for you during a consultation.

Noticing a change in your central vision? Reach out to the Bochner Eye Institute in Toronto, Scarborough, Unionville, or Oakville to book your eye exam.

To learn more, read our full blog on the topic!