

Fluocinolone acetonide intravitreal implant for treating chronic diabetic macular oedema

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Fluocinolone acetonide intravitreal implant (Iluvien) is available on the NHS as a possible treatment for visual impairment caused by chronic diabetic macular oedema that has not responded well enough to available treatments in adults.

Is this treatment right for me?

Your healthcare professionals should give you clear information, talk with you about your options and listen carefully to your views and concerns. Your family can be involved too, if you wish. See [our webpage on making decisions about your care](#).

Questions to think about

- How well does it work compared with other treatments?
- What are the risks or side effects? How likely are they?
- How will the treatment affect my day-to-day life?
- What happens if the treatment does not work?
- What happens if I do not want to have treatment? Are there other treatments available?

Information and support

The [NHS webpage on diabetic retinopathy](#) may be a good place to find out more.

These organisations can give you advice and support:

- [Macular Society](#), 0300 3030 111
- [Diabetes UK](#), 0345 123 2399

You can also get support from your local [Healthwatch](#).

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