

Side Effects

Permanent Visual Loss (Vigabatrin)

Blur-blind-eye

Vigabatrin may cause permanent, concentric peripheral visual field loss. The risk is dose-dependent. This is thought to occur from drug-induced injury of retinal photoreceptors, ganglion cells, and their axons. Visual field and ophthalmological testing are needed before treatment and routinely checked every 3 months during treatment. Because of this side effect, this medication is labeled with a black box warning from the FDA.