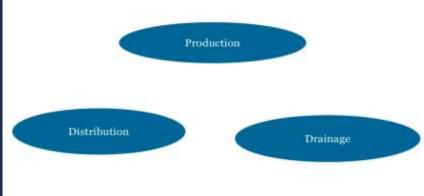




Excessive Tearing is Due To A Disturbance In The Balance
 Between Tear Production & Distribution And Tear Drainage





Excessive Tearing

Production

- Dry Eye (Reflex Tearing)

Distribution

- Tear Film Stability

Drainage

- Lacrimal Pump
- Obstruction of the Lacrimal Pathway



Epiphora

- All the time
- Tears Run over The Cheek
- Usually Problem in Drainage

Watering Eye

- Occasional
- Wet Eyes
- Usually Problem in Production or Distribution



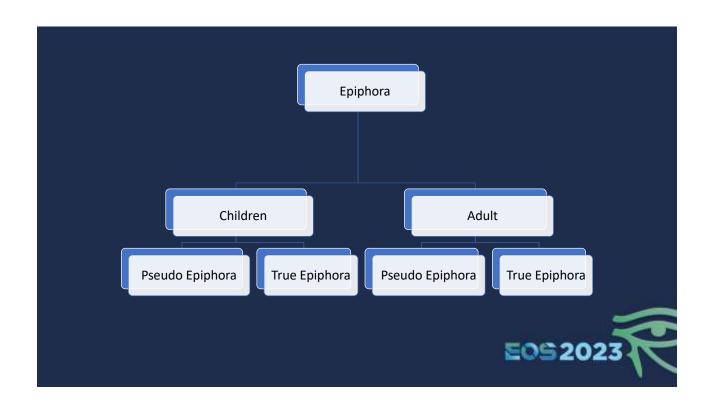
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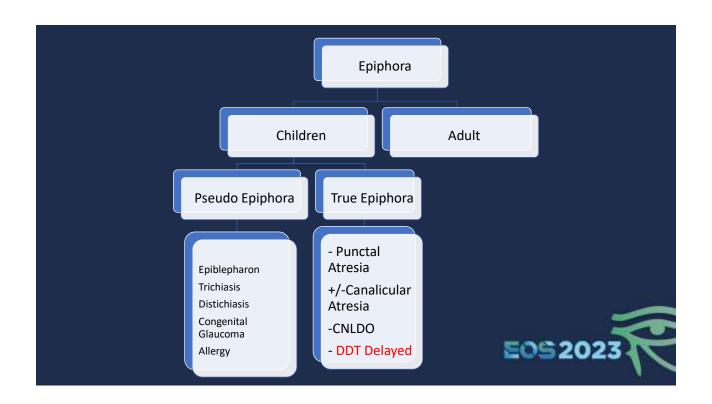
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- DDT To Determine Whether A Lacrimal Outflow Obstruction Is Present Or Not.
- Fluorescein Is Instilled Into The Conjunctival Cul-desac Bilaterally.
- Persistence Of Significant Dye And Asymmetric Clearance Of The Dye Over 5 Minutes Indicates A Relative Obstruction On The Side With The Retained Dye.

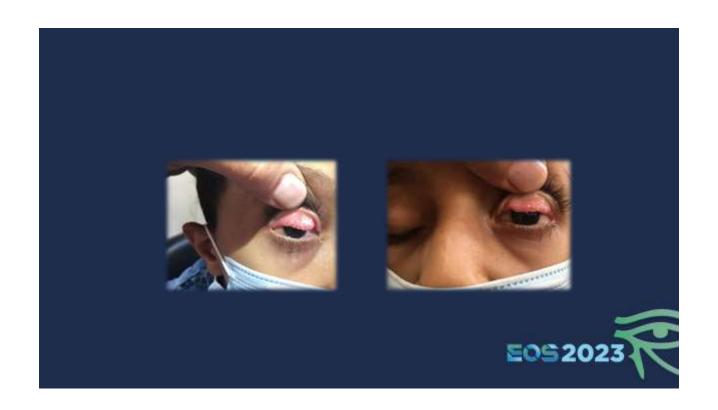


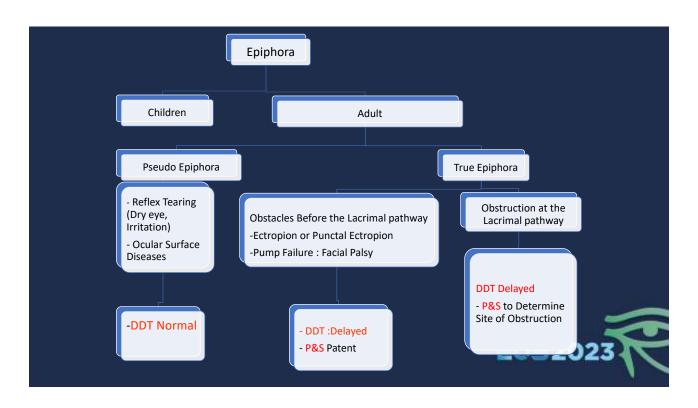


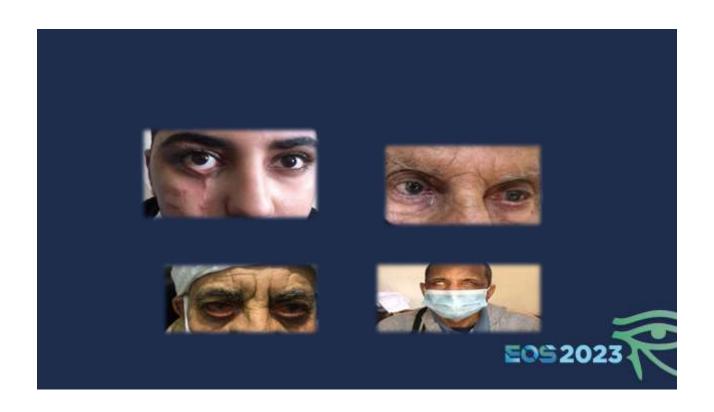


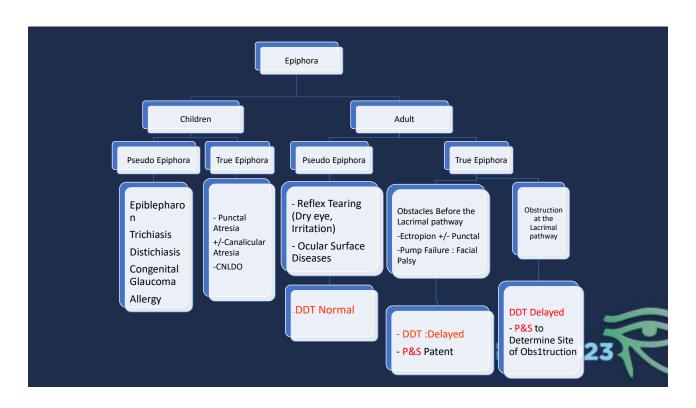












Probing & Syringing to Detect Anatomic Sites of Obstruction

- Punctum
- Upper and/ or Lower Canaliculus.
- Common Canaliculus
- Distal Obstruction





- Upper System Obstruction (At Punctum Or Canaliculus): Cause Tearing
 Only ..Reflux Of Clear Fluid In P&S. (Can Go Intraocular Surgery)
- Lower System Obstruction (NLDO): Cause Tearing Usually With Mucopurulent Discharge..Reflux Of Turbid Fluid In P&s.. (Can NOT Go Intraocular Surgery)



Probing & Syringing (P&S)

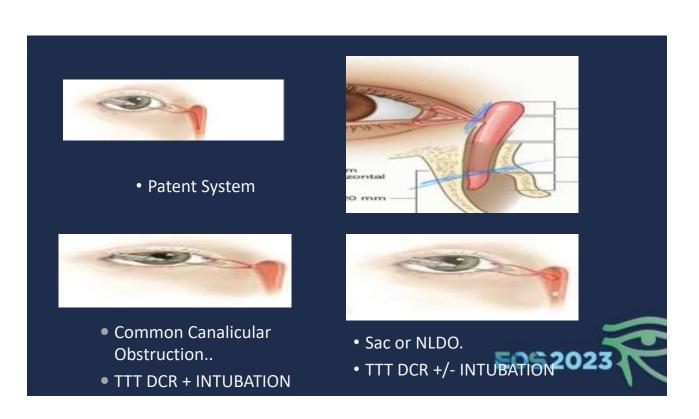
- Topical Anathesia (+/- Local in Irritable Patient)
- A 27-gauge A.C. Cannula On A 3-cc Syringe With Normal Saline
- Without Having To Dilate The Puncta.
- Dilate The Punctum Using Punctal Dilator
- Check Patency Of Canaliculu Using Bowman Probe
- Irrigate With A Lacrimal Canula On A 3-cc Syringe With Normal
 Saline



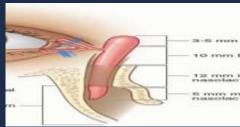
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Probing & Syringing

- After Irrigantion.. Resistance, Reflux And Delay Or Lack Of Clearance Into The Nasopharynx Suggests The Presence Of Obstruction.
- The Degree Of Resistance And Reflux Suggests The Severity Of Obstruction, Whereas The Location Of Reflux Helps To Localize The Obstruction.
- Reflux Through The Same Punctum Suggests Canalicular Obstruction, Whereas
 Reflux Through The Opposite Punctum Suggests Distal Obstruction.







- Canalicular Obstruction...
- Both Puncti And / Or Canaliculi Are Occluded..
- TTT: C- Dcr With Jones Tube



Punctum Senosis

- Punctum Stenosis: Dilate And Assess Lacrimal System
- If Punctual Stenosis Associated With Another Site Of
 Obstruction ...Manage According To The Site Of Obstruction
- If Patent.. So Manage Punctual Stenosis Only By Either 3 Snip Surgery, Or Stenting Mono Or Bicanalicular Stent





Sure Signs of NLDO

- Acute Dacryocystitis
- + ve Regurge
- Mucocele



- SO, The Management dependos on an "Art" Of Evaluation Of The Tearing Patient
- Try To Determine What Processes Are Contributing Most To The Tearing And Then Direct Treatment Accordingly



CONCLUSION

- History: Onset, Course, Duration, Uni Or Bilateral, All The Time Or Occasional, Run On The Cheek Or Only Wet Eyes.
- Ispection: Tearing, Lid Position, Any Abnormality.
- Palpation: Lacrimal Sac And Canaliculi, +VE Regurge Test.
- Check Position And Laxity Of The Eyelids...
- Slit Lamp Examination For Lids, Conj., Ocular Surface, Puctum....
- Evert The Lids.
- DD1
- P&S If Delayed DDT
- Please Treat A Patient Not A Disease, So Complete Assessment, V.A., AC & Fundus Examination Should Be
 Done.

