Thyroid eye disease, often referred to as TED, is a rare autoimmune condition that causes the immune system to mistakenly attack tissue around the eye.

**What are the symptoms of thyroid eye disease?**

- Eye bulging
- Light sensitivity
- Orbital pain
- Redness
- Irritated eyes
- Eyelid swelling

**Who is at risk of thyroid eye disease?**

- History of Graves’ disease or thyroid issues
- Smokers
- Women are affected more than men
- Family history of TED

**Are there treatment options for thyroid eye disease?**

Teprotumumab is the only FDA-approved drug currently indicated to treat adults with thyroid eye disease.

There are several options available to treat the symptoms of thyroid eye disease, like steroids and topical treatments. Surgery may also be recommended during the inactive phase to correct damage from the active phase.

**Thyroid eye disease has two phases:**

**Active phase**
is when progressive inflammation, swelling and tissue changes occur.

**Inactive phase**
occurs when disease progression has stopped. Some symptoms, such as double vision and bulging eyes, may remain.

If left untreated or misdiagnosed, thyroid eye disease may cause permanent damage to the eye. Access to treatment and identifying the disease early is essential to ensuring patients do not suffer from irreversable vision damage.