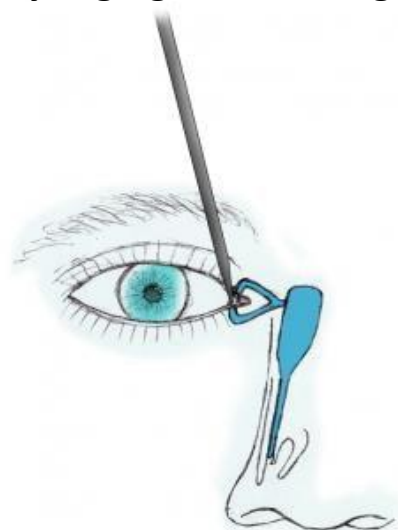


## Syringing and Probing



### What is syringing and probing?

This procedure takes five to 10 minutes and involves passing a very fine, flexible wire down one or both tear ducts to overcome the blockage and then flushing the duct(s) to ensure that the duct(s) are free flowing). Syringing and probing has 80 % success of cases that are caused by a simple duct blockage. The watering and stickiness usually resolve within a week of the procedure. Sometimes the tear duct has a more complicated type of obstruction, and sometimes the duct might not have developed properly. These problems become apparent at the time of the probing procedure and usually require a more complex procedure. Your doctor will discuss this with you after the procedure.

### Risks/ Complications

False passage,  
Epistaxis Infection  
Need for further procedure

### Informed Consent:

I have read and understood the information detailed above. I consent to having Dr Sonia Moorthy perform Pterygium surgery on my      RIGHT      LEFT      BOTH eyes (circle as appropriate).

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_