

Dr. Mark Fromer was interviewed from News 12 The Bronx on January 21st, 2008. Dr. Fromer discussed the fact that African-Americans are more likely to get glaucoma at an early age. The eye disease is caused by fluid build up in the eye. The pressure damages the optic nerve and can cause blindness. But quick and painless tests can determine if someone has glaucoma. Aside from African-Americans, other groups high at risk for developing glaucoma are people with diabetes, high blood pressure, thyroid disease, extreme near sightedness, or a family history of the disease.