

Eyelid Ectropion (Sagging Lower Eyelid)

Lower eyelid ectropion refers to an outwardly turned or sagging lower eyelid. Often the conjunctiva or pinky part of the lower eyelid is grossly visible. This sagging can leave the eyeball or globe exposed resulting in a dry crusty eye. This chronic exposure and dryness of the eye ball can lead to possible corneal injury and loss of vision.

Surgical correction is dependent upon the cause of the ectropion. Your oculoplastic or reconstructive surgeon will review the various causes and available corrections for lower eyelid ectropion. The procedure is usually an outpatient procedure. The final result may take several months to see but, your symptoms are usually corrected expeditiously after the surgery.