



Skin cancer what to look for.

Get to know your skin and check it regularly, all year round. Learn what looks normal for you to help find changes earlier. If found early, most skin cancers can be successfully treated.

SKIN CANCERS – SEE YOUR DOCTOR

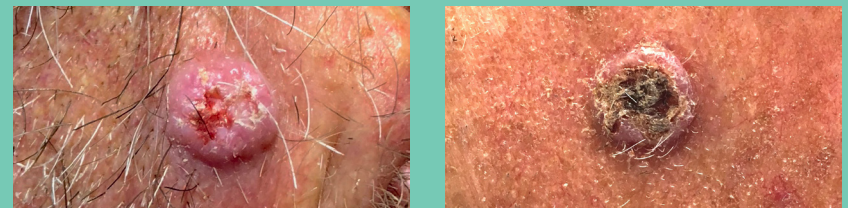
Basal cell carcinoma

Basal cell carcinomas can be small, round or flattened spots that are red, pale or pearly in colour or may appear as a dry, scaly area.



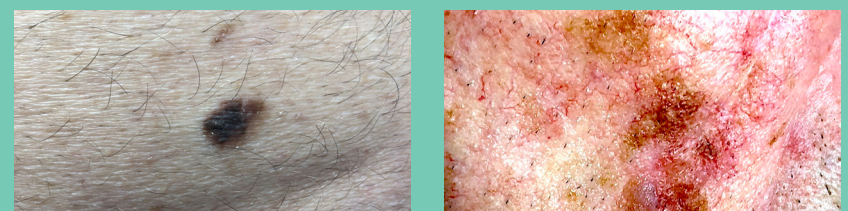
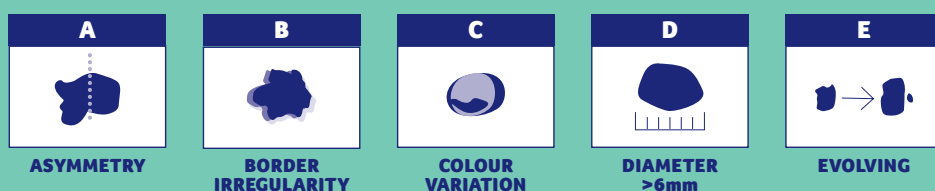
Squamous cell carcinoma

Squamous cell carcinomas may look like a thickened, red, scaly spot that may bleed easily, crust or ulcerate.



Melanoma

Melanomas often have one or more of the following characteristics:



Nodular melanoma

Nodular melanomas look different from common melanomas—they are raised from the start and evenly coloured. Many are red or pink and some are brown or black. They are firm to touch and dome-shaped.



SKIN DAMAGE

Solar keratosis

Red, flattish, scaly, dry skin that may sting if scratched. If left untreated may develop into skin cancer.



NOT SKIN CANCER – MONITOR FOR ANY CHANGES

Moles

Common, harmless spots that are uniform in shape and evenly coloured.



Seborrhoeic keratosis

Harmless pale to very dark brown spots, usually raised and appear to be stuck on like 'barnacles'.



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