



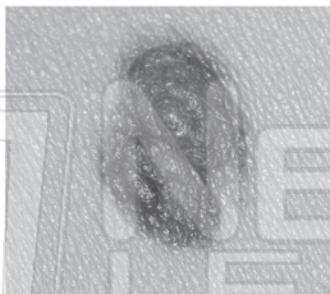
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Ask Your Doctor

People who are concerned about getting **skin cancer** or who notice any **changes to their skin** should talk to their doctor. They should tell their doctor of any **risk factors** for skin cancer, including any changes to the appearance of moles, past history of sunburns or skin cancer, family history of melanoma, and use of tanning beds.



history of sunburn



changes in moles



history of skin cancer



use of tanning beds

Screening for Skin Cancer

Skin cancer screening involves a **visual examination** in which a medical professional looks at a person's skin to see



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Skin cancer is the **most common type of cancer** in the United States. **Basal** and **squamous cell carcinoma** are the most common types of skin cancer and they make up more than 98% of all cases of skin cancer. They can be treated and rarely result in death—less than 0.1% of patient deaths.

Melanoma is much **less common** than the other types of skin cancer but is more likely to result in death. Like many cancers, the risk of melanoma increases with age. Skin cancer occurs more commonly in men than in women, and among people who:

- Have blonde or red hair, light eye color, fair skin that freckles & sunburns easily
- Use indoor tanning beds
- Have a past history of sunburns or skin cancer
- Have a family history of melanoma
- Have abnormal moles or more than 100 moles



melanoma



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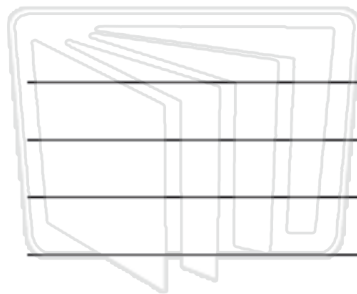
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