

Skin Cancer Screening

Who Should Be Screened for Skin Cancer?

The risk of developing skin cancer increases with age, but skin cancer can occur at any age.

People with certain risk factors are more likely than others to develop skin cancer. Some of these risk factors are:

- A lighter natural skin color
- Family history of skin cancer
- A personal history of skin cancer
- Exposure to the sun through work and play
- A history of sunburns early in life
- Skin that burns, freckles, reddens easily or becomes painful in the sun
- Blue or green eyes
- Blond or red hair
- Certain types and a large number of moles

What Screening Tests are Available?

Regular examination of the skin increases the chance of finding melanoma early. It is important to conduct regular skin self-checks and have a doctor examine any areas of concern.

Did You Know?

Skin cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in the United States.



For more information, call City-County Health Department at 791-9272 or 452-0881 x308 or visit www.cchdmt.org