

Warning Signs of Skin Cancer



Skin cancer is a serious disease that can cause scarring and even death. Inspect your skin often (at least every three months) and take note of all the spots on your body, from moles to freckles to age spots.

Contact your health care provider if you see any change on one of your spots or you see any of these warning signs:

- 01 A new growth (such as moles, birthmarks or spots)
- 02 Sudden or progressive change in a mole, freckle or birthmark's appearance
- 03 A sore that doesn't heal
- 04 A mole, bump or nodule that is scary, lumpy, crusting or bleeding, or takes on an irregular shape
- 05 Swelling, irritation, redness or spread of color into the skin near a mole, birthmark or freckle
- 06 Dark, freckle-like areas under a fingernail or toenail



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