# WAYS TO REDUCE YOUR RISK OF SKIN CANCER

A person's risk for melanoma doubles if you've had 5+ sunburns.

### WEAR SUNSCREEN DAILY

Sun exposure happens on cloudy and overcast days, while you're driving, walking, or sitting by a sunny window. Reduce your risk of skin cancer by slathering on at least 1 oz. or 2 tbsp. of SPF 15+ sunscreen (SPF 30+ if outdoors) 30 minutes before going outside. Reapply every two hours or after you sweat or swim.

#### THE NUMBERS:

1,000,000

NUMBER OF AMERICANS LIVING WITH MELANOMA

# 1 in 5

AMERICANS WHO WILL DEVELOP SKIN CANCER IN THEIR LIFETIME

9,500

PEOPLE IN THE U.S. DIAGNOSED WITH SKIN CANCER DAILY

#### **SEEK SHADE**

Protect your skin from harmful UV rayseven on overcast days-by staying in the shade between 10 am - 4 pm. You can also wear a wide-brimmed hat, UV-blocking sunglasses, and UPF-rated clothing.

## **AVOID SUNBURN AND TANNING**

There's no such thing as a healthy tan. Anytime your skin looks tanned or burned means it has been damaged. Never use a tanning bed.



# PROTECT YOUR CHILDREN

Keep babies under 6 months out of the sun and protected with long sleeves and pants, a stroller shade, sunglasses and a hat. Children over 6 months of age should wear broad-spectrum sunscreen and a protective hat and clothing when outdoors.

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THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS WHO DIE FROM MELANOMA EVERY DAY

60-75%

PERCENT OF MELANOMA ARISING IN THE PALMS, SOLES, NAILS, GROIN AND INSIDE THE MOUTH OF PEOPLE OF COLOR.

#### **CHECK YOUR SKIN**

If you have a mole or spot, look for the ABCDEs of skin cancer.



**A: Asymmetrical** - Is your mole an irregular shape?



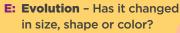
**B: Border** - Are the edges irregular, jagged or blurred?



C: Color - Is the color uneven or contain shades of brown, black, red, white or blue?



**D: Diameter** - Is it larger than 6mm across or the size of a pencil eraser?











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