

The Skin & Cancer Foundation is a not for profit, privately funded charitable organisation, and we receive minimal financial support from the Government. Since its formation in 1987, The Skin & Cancer Foundation has been at the forefront of developing new and improved ways to diagnose and manage a wide range of skin cancer and diseases of the skin. Founded by a group of 38 leading dermatologists, we specialize in treatment, education and research. Many of the dermatologists who are involved with the organisation donate their time, valuable skills and experience.

Diseases of the skin are one of Australia's major public health problems. Every day, dermatologists see patients with a wide range of conditions; some debilitating that profoundly affect self-esteem, the ability to socialise and to work. The Skin & Cancer Foundation is proud to help these people achieve their full potential.

Now in our 20th year - The Foundation's Charter has matured over time and three main objectives remain at our core:

- To provide world class dermatology services and care to the community
- To contribute to the education in dermatology of medical students, trainees, dermatologists, general practitioners and the community
- To support and contribute to dermatology research throughout Australia

We are:

A Centre of Excellence AND a Home for Dermatology

Our focus

Skin and Cancer Foundation		
Clinical	Education	Research
Specialist clinics	Registrar and international specialist dermatology training	Clinical trials
Advanced treatment for metropolitan and rural patients	Clinical updates for consultants	Research into occupational dermatology
Innovative new techniques	Nurse education	Clinical evaluation
	Community education	Presentation of papers and seminars
	Support for dermatology condition support groups	

No referral requirements for:

- Cosmetic Aesthetics
- Medical Photography

GP referral required for:

- Skin Cancer Assessment Clinic
- Clinical Aesthetics (where Medicare items exists)
- Specialist Skin Assessment clinic
- Transplant Clinic
- Hyperhidrosis Clinic

Dermatologist/Consultant (e.g. Plastic)

Referral required for all other Clinics

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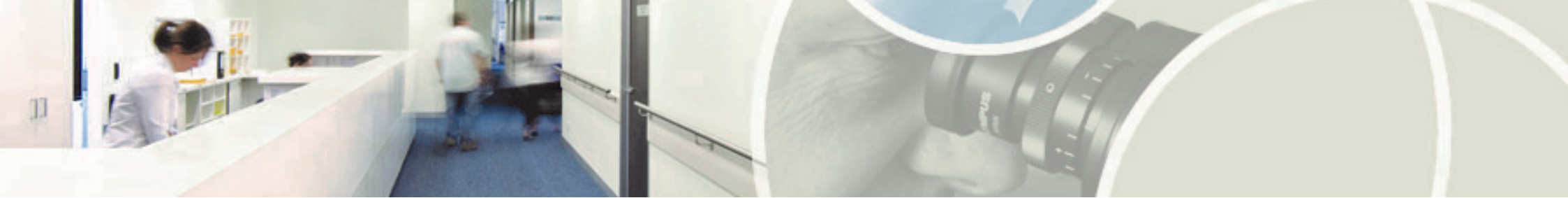
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Australia's Centre of Excellence in Dermatology

A Guide to our Services





Specialist clinics held at the Skin and Cancer Foundation include:

Advanced Surgery

Advanced Surgery encompasses all the clinics of individual Plastic Surgeons and Dermatologists specialising in the excision and repair of various skin lesions.

Aesthetics – Clinical & Cosmetic

The Aesthetics Clinic offers specialist services in laser, anti-wrinkle injectibles and fillers. These services are for both Clinical and Cosmetic purposes. Clinical conditions require a referral. Contact us if you are uncertain if a referral is required.

Biologics Specialty clinic

The Biologics Clinic offers specialist services for patients with moderate to severe psoriasis in the area of biological therapy.

Contact Dermatitis Patch /Allergy testing

Contact Dermatitis Patch/Allergy testing is a method for detecting allergies to substances which come in contact with the skin.

DCP

DCP (Diphenylcyclopropenone) dose finding clinic may be prescribed for the treatment of alopecia areata. Patients are referred to DCP dose finding clinic after being reviewed at the Hair Clinic or referred privately by select consultant dermatologist.

Grenz Rays

Grenz Rays are a special form of soft x-rays that share properties with ultra-violet light radiation and are used to treat a number of skin conditions including eczema, psoriasis and pre-malignant skin changes such as solar keratosis.

Hair Clinic

The Hair Clinic offers treatment for conditions such as Alopecia areata and Androgenetic alopecia. We also provide a specialist scalp photography service, which is beneficial in monitoring the patients response to prescribed treatments.

Hyperhidrosis

Primary Hyperhidrosis, or excessive sweating effects from 1-2% of the population. It most commonly involves the axillae (underarm), hands and feet. Treatments provided at the Foundation include iontophoresis and *Botulinum toxin* injections.

Laser Clinic

The Skin and Cancer Foundation undertakes laser clinics for clinical and cosmetic conditions. Treatments provided include laser management of Rhinophyma's, Vermillionectomies and resurfacing.

Liaison Clinic

This clinic provides specialist management of patients presenting with conditions, that involves an interaction between the mind and the skin. The clinic is conducted jointly by a Dermatologist and Psychiatrist.

Medical Photography

A full service is available provided by trained medical photographers.

Melanoma Clinic

The Melanoma Clinic is a specialised clinic, designed to meet the ongoing surveillance requirements of patients who have undergone treatment for melanoma. Patients are referred from The Victorian Melanoma Service (VMS), based at the Alfred Hospital.

Men's Health Clinic

The Men's Health Clinic provides specialist management of male genital skin disease and is conducted on a monthly basis. Conditions managed in this clinic include balanitis and Bowen's disease.

Moh's Surgery

Mohs Micrographic Surgery is used for the treatment of some basal cell carcinomas, squamous cell carcinomas or other rare skin tumors and provides precise removal of cancerous tissue while sparing healthy tissue.

Nail Clinic

The Nail clinic is conducted on a monthly basis and provides specialist management of a variety of nail conditions including Lichen Planus of the nail, Paronychia and management of Psoriasis affecting the nail, using iontophoresis.

Occupational Dermatology

The Occupational Dermatology Research and Education Centre aims to reduce the incidence and impact of occupational contact dermatitis in Australia, through research and education about work related skin disease.

Oral Mucosal Clinic

The Oral Mucosal Clinic is a specialized clinic for the management of patients presenting with conditions involving the mouth.

Organ Transplant

The Transplant Dermatology Clinic is set up to manage the skin of patients with organ transplants (predominantly renal). The effectiveness of Immunosuppression in transplant patients increases the risk of skin cancers. Squamous cell carcinomas (SCC) are the most common post-transplant malignancy.

Phototherapy

The Foundation provides an extensive phototherapy service, with 3 narrowband UVB units, UVA and UVB hand and foot machines and bath PUVA available. Phototherapy is a prescribed treatment, provided by trained dermatology nurses and patients are reviewed at our clinics every three months. Patients presenting with psoriasis are the majority of those managed in this clinic.

Photodynamic Therapy

Photodynamic therapy is prescribed for the treatment of superficial basal cell carcinoma, nodular basal cell carcinoma and Bowens disease. Photodynamic therapy may also be prescribed for treatment of thin or non-pigmented actinic keratoses.

Radiotherapy

The Foundation also provides superficial x-ray therapy. This treatment can be used to treat a wide variety of skin conditions including most skin cancers. This therapy is planned and delivered by our dedicated radiation therapists.

Skin Cancer Management

The Skin Cancer Management Clinic is a specialised clinic set up to manage patients with skin cancers. Patients must be referred for lesion(s) noted by their doctors as either clinically suggestive or biopsy proven skin cancers.

Specialist Skin Assessment Clinic

This clinic is conducted by a Dermatologist, providing a full skin assessment. This service is suitable for patients presenting with a high risk of skin cancer e.g. family history, excessive sun exposure and those with multiple moles. A GP referral is accepted for this clinic. Patients can attend without a GP referral though this will incur a non-refundable charge for this service.