Protect yourself and your family and prevent skin cancer.

- Stay in the **shade** between **10am-4pm**, when the sun's rays do the most harm.
- Put on **sunblock** (minimum SPF 30) at least 15 minutes before going into the sun.
- Put more sunblock on every 2 hours or when it washes off.
- Wear sunglasses, a hat, and a long-sleeved shirt.



• Babies get sunburned easily. Protect them with suncreen and proper cover.

To learn more about this call:

Native Hawaiian Health Care System

Nā Pu'uwai Moloka'i

(808) 560-3653

O'ahu Ke Ola Mamo

(808) 845-3388

Hui Mālama Ola Nā 'Ōiwi Hawai'i

(808) 969-9220

Kaua'i, Ho'ōla Lāhui Ni'ihau (808) 240-0100

Hui No Ke Ola Pono Maui

(808) 244-4647

Lāna'i Ke Ola Hou O Lāna'i

(808) 565-7204

Cancer 1-800-4-CANCER **Information** (1-800-422-6237) www.cancer.gov Service

American 1-800-227-2345 Cancer www.cancer.org

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Protect Yourself and Your 'Ohana from Skin Cancer



Even Hawaiians get skin cancer.

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NATIVE HAWAIIAN CANCER AWARENESS SERIES

Skin cancer can be treated when found early, which means a better chance for cure!

Facts:

- The sun is the main cause of skin cancer.
- Skin cancers seldom cause pain.
- Skin cancer may appear anywhere on your skin, even under fingernails, under toenails, on the palms or on the soles of your feet.
- Skin cancer can be treated when found at an early stage.

Talk to your doctor if you have:

- A family or personal history of cancer
- More than 50 ordinary skin moles.
- A spot or mole on the skin that is changing in size, shape, or color over a period of time.

What to look for:

- 1. An open sore that does not heal.
- 2. A mole that is not round or oval (irregular in shape).





(Regular Shape)

(Irregular Shape)

- 3. A mole that is uneven in color or has blurry edges, especially if it is black.
- 4. A mole that has grown in size.
- 5. A mole that is scaly, flaky, lumpy, bleeding, crusty or itching.

Cancers can start anywhere on your skin and do not have to be in a mole.

Examples of skin cancer







Check with a doctor if you see any changes in your skin like these. **This could save your life.**

Skin Self-Exam—Know your body.

Check yourself regularly for signs of skin cancer. Areas to check:

- 1. Front, back, left and right sides of your body.
- 2. Palms, forearms, and upper arms.
- 3. Front and back of your legs.
- 4. Between your buttocks and around your genital area.
- 5. Tops and bottoms of your feet and between the toes.
- 6. Face, neck, and scalp. Move your hair with a comb or blow dryer to see your scalp better.

Get help to check the areas that are hard to see.



