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The ABCDEs of Melanoma

Melanoma is the deadliest form of skin cancer. However, when detected early, melanoma can be effectively treated. You can identify the warning signs of melanoma by looking for the following:



Asymmetry One half of the spot is unlike the other half.



Border The spot has an irregular, scalloped, or poorly defined border.



Color The spot has varying colors from one area to the next, such as shades of tan, brown or black, or areas of white, red, or blue.



Diameter While melanomas are usually greater than 6 millimeters, or about the size of a pencil eraser, when diagnosed, they can be smaller.



Evolving The spot looks different from the rest or is changing in size, shape, or color. <u>E</u>xample:

If you notice a new spot or an existing spot that changes, itches, or bleeds, make an appointment to see a board-certified dermatologist.

Detect skin cancer early by following dermatologists' tips for checking your partner's skin:



To learn more about skin cancer detection and prevention or to find a free SPOT me[®] skin cancer screening, visit **SpotSkinCancer.org**.

