



# The ABCDEs of Melanoma

Anyone can get skin cancer, regardless of skin color. When detected early, skin cancer is highly treatable. You can identify the warning signs of melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer, by looking for the following on your skin:

**A ASYMMETRY** One half unlike the other half.

**B BORDER** Irregular, scalloped or poorly defined border.

**C COLOR** Varied from one area to another; shades of tan and brown, black, sometimes white, red or blue.

**D DIAMETER** While melanomas are usually greater than 6mm (the size of a pencil eraser) when diagnosed, they can be smaller. See ruler below for a guide.

**E EVOLVING** A mole or skin lesion that looks different from the rest or is changing in size, shape or color.

