Asymmetry  Where one half of a mole or lesion does not match the other.

Borders  The edges of the mole or lesion are irregular, ragged, notched, or poorly defined.

Color  The color of the mole or lesion varies with shades of brown or black, and sometimes with patches of pink, red, white, or blue.

Diameter  The spot is about the size of a pencil eraser or larger.

Evolving  The mole or lesion is changing in size, shape, or color.

Location of Melanoma

- SCALP
  - MEN: 7.3%
  - WOMEN: 2.6%
- NECK
  - MEN: 4.7%
  - WOMEN: 3.7%
- ARMS
  - MEN: 12.6%
  - WOMEN: 19.1%
- LEGS
  - MEN: 30.8%
  - WOMEN: 3.3%
- FEET
  - MEN: 2.4%
  - WOMEN: 0.7%
When detected early, most skin cancers can be successfully treated.

**Prevention / Other Risk Factors**

**Prevention**
- Get an annual checkup
- Watch brown spots and freckles for changes
- Wear sunblock every day
- Reduce sun exposure

**Other Risk Factors**
- Family history of melanoma
- Personal history of melanoma
- Multiple atypical moles or dysplastic nevi
- Sun exposure
- Fair skin
Skin Cancer Screenings at Aspen Ideas Festival

2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017
FINDINGS OVER FIVE YEARS 3,332 INDIVIDUALS SCREENED

2,967* DIAGNOSES MADE
711 BIOPSIES RECOMMENDED

* Including diagnoses of conditions that were neither cancerous nor precancerous. Some patients received more than one diagnosis.

After your screening, we recommend you follow up with your local physician.

Your best defense against skin cancer is prevention. Learn how to spot skin cancer at its earliest, most treatable stage. Some simple precautions to take include: do a monthly head-to-toe skin self-exam; get a full-body skin check by a physician at least once a year; apply sunscreen daily, all year round; practice safe sun and ultraviolet (UV) light exposure; and dress with sun-protective clothing.

612 PRECANCEROUS LESIONS
164 BASAL CELL
75 SQUAMOUS CELL
42 MELANOMA

Most common form of skin cancer with more than 4 million cases per year in the United States.
Second most common form of skin cancer with more than 1 million cases per year in the United States.
Deadliest form of skin cancer with 9,320 deaths estimated in the United States for 2018.