MELANOMA IS A FORM OF SKIN CANCER CHARACTERISED BY THE UNCONTROLLED GROWTH OF PIGMENT-PRODUCING CELLS (MELANOCYTES) LOCATED IN THE SKIN

MELANOMA IS THE 3RD MOST COMMON CANCER FOR MEN AND WOMEN IN AUSTRALIA.¹

THERE ARE FIVE STAGES OF MELANOMA¹

STAGE 0
MELANOMA IN SITU, OR AN ABNORMALITY ON THE EPIDERMAL REGION OF THE SKIN

STAGE 1 & 2
EARLY STAGE, LOCALISED DISEASE

STAGE 3
CANCER THAT HAS SPREAD TO THE LYMPH NODES WITHIN THE REGION OF THE CANCER OR TO THE LYMPH VESSELS

STAGE 4
CANCER THAT HAS SPREAD TO OTHER MAJOR ORGANS IN THE BODY

SHERRY IS THE ‘MELANOMA CAPITAL OF THE WORLD’ WITH A RATE OF 67 CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE.⁵

MELANOMA IS THE MOST COMMONLY DIAGNOSED CANCER IN AUSTRALIANS AGED 15-39.⁴

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