



# Skin Cancer Early Detection Service

## Introduction

Skin Cancer Early Detection (the Service) is a pilot outreach service funded by the Queensland Government. It will be delivered in priority Hospital and Health Services (HHSs) in Queensland.

The Service will work closely with each HHS and other local stakeholders to deliver skin cancer services in rural, regional, and remote locations where such services are limited or non-existent.

The Service is one of three elements of a Skin Cancer Prevention and Early Detection initiative. Other elements are a multi-year state-wide social marketing campaign promoting sun-safe behaviours and local health promotion activities.

## Aim

The Skin Cancer Early Detection service aims to create fairer access to professional assessment and treatment of skin cancer for people who have a skin cancer risk.

## Priority Areas

The Service will be delivered in South West HHS, Central Queensland HHS, Mackay HHS, Townsville HHS and North West HHS. It will provide:

- skin cancer risk assessments
- clinical skin assessments (ie. dermoscopy)
- treatment of skin cancers (ie. cryotherapy, biopsy and excision)
- patient education on individual skin cancer risks and prevention.

## Objectives

The Service's objectives are to:

- provide outreach health services focused on the prevention, early detection and treatment of skin cancers.
- facilitate linkages and referral pathways for patients with skin cancer.
- provide upskilling for the local workforce engaged through the program, to build ongoing capacity and expert knowledge of skin cancer in local health practitioners.

## Funding eligibility

The Service funds outreach services provided by specialists and General Practitioners with evidence of training and/or experience in skin cancer early detection, including but not limited to relevant accreditations awarded by Skin Cancer College Australasia, Healthcert and/or mentorship.

## About CheckUP

CheckUP is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to better health for people and communities who need it most. CheckUP works with partner organisations and health providers to create healthier communities and reduce health inequities through a range of initiatives. CheckUP has an established footprint in over 170 communities across Queensland.

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