

Suspected Skin Cancer

Please tick reasons for referral

Malignant melanoma of the skin

Basal cell carcinoma

Cutaneous ulcer (including leg ulcer) that is failing to reduce in size after 3 months appropriate treatment or any ulcer that has not healed after 9 months

Squamous cell carcinoma (SCC) Some cases of SCC occur de novo (i.e., in the absence of a precursor lesion); however, some arise from sun-induced precancerous lesions known as actinic keratoses. Patients with multiple actinic keratoses are at increased risk for developing SCC. SCC is capable of locally infiltrative growth, spread to regional lymph nodes, and distant metastasis, most often to the lungs.

Suspicious pigmented skin lesion **WITH** a weighted 7 point checklist score of 3 or more.

Pigmented or non-pigmented skin lesion that suggests nodular melanoma

A skin lesion that raises the suspicion of a basal cell carcinoma

Refer on choose and book as 'BCC'

Patient seen at HDFT within 6 weeks

Refer patient for biopsy

- Weighted 7 point checklist:
- Major features of the lesions (scoring 2 points each):
- change in size
 - irregular shape
 - irregular colour
- Minor features of the lesions (scoring 1 point each):
- largest diameter 7 mm or more
 - inflammation
 - oozing
 - change in sensation

Skin lesion that raises the suspicion of squamous cell carcinoma

2WW Referral