Skin cancer is the most common cancer in the U.S. One in every five Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime.

In the U.S., more than 3.5 million skin cancers are diagnosed in more than 2 million people each year. One American dies every hour from skin cancer.

**TYPES OF SKIN CANCER**

1. **Basal cell carcinoma** is the most common type of skin cancer. It most frequently affects people with fair skin.
2. **Squamous cell carcinoma** is the second most common type of skin cancer, and most often affects those with fair skin.
3. **Melanoma** is the deadliest type of skin cancer and often develops as an asymmetric, irregularly bordered, multi-colored, large and evolving dark spot.

A person’s risk for melanoma doubles if he or she has had five or more sunburns.

More than 90 percent of melanoma skin cancers are due to UV radiation exposure.

There were 2,410 new cases of melanoma diagnosed in Texas in 2015.

**COMMON SKIN CANCER TREATMENTS:** surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, Mohs surgery

Mohs surgery is the most effective treatment for most types of skin cancer and has the highest cure rate.

There are 1,200 fellowship-trained Mohs surgeons in the U.S.

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