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## Skin Cancer

**SURGICAL EXCISION.** If a cancerous or pre-cancerous growth is detected on the head or neck, a physician with Columbus Otolaryngology Clinic will recommend it be removed completely. A pathologist will diagnose the lesion to trace the cancer microscopically for complete removal. Doctors at Columbus Otolaryngology Clinic have specialized training and experience in the treatment of skin cancer and facial plastic surgery for the best possible final results.

**CRYOSURGERY.** For precancers and less aggressive skin lesions, liquid nitrogen can be used to freeze and remove them. Other treatments are available as well.

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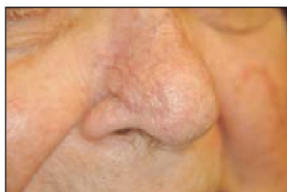
# What does skin cancer look like?

## BASAL CELL CARCINOMA (BCC)

Pre-op



Post-op



This is the most common type of skin cancer. It looks like a flesh-colored pearl-like bump. This is usually caused by sun exposure.

## SQUAMOUS CELL CARCINOMA (SCC)

Pre-op



Post-op



Squamous Cell Carcinoma is the second most common type of skin cancer. This skin cancer often looks like a firm bump, scaly patch or ulcer that heals and then re-opens. It too is usually caused by sun exposure.

## MELANOMA

Pre-op



Post-op



Melanoma is skin cancer that frequently develops in a mole or appears suddenly as a new dark spot on the skin. Melanoma is the deadliest form of skin cancer.