

Spotlight
on



March 2026

Early bird registration closing soon! NZ Skin Cancer Summit 18-20 June

Early bird registration for the NZ Skin Cancer Summit is closing soon

Secure your spot at the 2026 NZ Skin Cancer Summit – [sign up now](#) before early bird registrations close on 31 March.

Refresh and grow your skin cancer expertise through keynote presentations and interactive panels showcasing innovative research, practical strategies, and collaborative approaches. Together, we'll explore how New Zealand can better prevent, detect, and treat all forms of skin cancer - not just melanoma - while ensuring care is accessible and equitable for everyone.

18 June: Optional workshops - attend one or both:

- **Skin Surgery Masterclass** (morning)
- **Advanced Dermoscopy Masterclass** (afternoon)

19-20 June: New Zealand Skin Cancer Summit

[Find out more about the Summit and register now](#)

Abstract submission closing soon! NZ Skin Cancer Summit 18-20 June

Share your work across skin cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and care

We invite you and your colleagues to share your work across skin cancer prevention, early detection, treatment and care. Get in quick – abstracts submissions close on **Friday 27 March**.

[Find out more](#)

Notice of Skin Cancer New Zealand AGM: 19 June 2026

Join us at the InterContinental Wellington on 19 June

The Skin Cancer New Zealand AGM will be held at the InterContinental Wellington from 12.45 – 1.00 pm on Friday 19 June 2026, as part of the New Zealand Skin Cancer Summit.

Members are invited to submit remits or other matters to be considered at the AGM to the **Skin Cancer New Zealand Chief Executive** no later than 5.00 pm Friday 5 June 2026.

Rebrand update: New email address

Skin Cancer NZ emails

As our rebrand to Skin Cancer New Zealand progresses, please update your address book with our new email addresses:

Katrina Patterson, CEO: katrina@skincancer.org.nz

Marion Peat, Communications & Events Coordinator: marion@skincancer.org.nz

The refreshed Skin Cancer NZ website will be launching soon.

Spot on Insights: Photoprotection and UV science webinar

MIA webinar on 14 May: Photoprotection in the high-risk patient and navigating UV science

Join Melanoma Institute Australia (MIA) for an evidence-based educational session designed for multidisciplinary healthcare professionals caring for patients at increased risk of skin cancer and ultraviolet (UV) damage.

This session combines world-class expertise with clinically relevant insights. It will discuss the latest science of UV radiation, practical photoprotection strategies for high-risk populations and emerging research shaping photoprotection guidance.

Date: Thursday 14 May

Time: Livestreamed from 7:30pm NZST

COST: Free

[Register now](#)

Skin Insights: Sydney Melanoma and Skin Cancer Nurse Symposium

MIA Melanoma and Skin Cancer Nurse Symposium on 7 May

The Melanoma Institute Australia (MIA) is hosting another Melanoma and Skin Cancer Nurse Symposium — a full-day educational symposium designed for nurses involved in the care of patients with skin cancer.

The symposium will explore how nurses shape patient outcomes across the full continuum of care, from patient education and prevention to advanced treatment and survivorship. Through expert-led multidisciplinary presentations, practical case discussions and interactive sessions, attendees will gain up-to-date knowledge and real-world strategies to enhance practice and patient education.

Date: 7 May, 9am to 4pm

Venue: The Poche Centre (Sydney), Australia

[Find out more](#)

SkinPros: What's on at Skin Cancer NZ

Join us at our upcoming Skin Cancer NZ events:

- [Skin Surgery Masterclass](#) - 18 June 2026, Wellington
- [Advanced Dermoscopy Masterclass](#) - 18 June 2026, Wellington
- [New Zealand Skin Cancer Summit](#) - 18-20 June 2026, Wellington

SkinWise: What's on

In New Zealand

- **21st WONCA World Rural Health Conference 2026** – 10-13 April, Wellington
- **Certificate of Skin Cancer Medicine and Surgery 2026** – 2 May, Skin Cancer Symposiums, Auckland
- **Certificate of Advanced Skin Cancer Medicine and Surgery 2026** – 2-3 May, Skin Cancer Symposiums, Auckland

Online

- **Advanced Skin Surgery Workshop** – Starts 10 April, Skin Cancer College Australasia (with practical workshop in Brisbane)

International

- **22nd EADO Congress** – 23-25 April, Prague, Czech Republic
- **RACS 94th Annual Scientific Congress 2026** – 30 April - 3 May, Perth, Australia

See the Skin Cancer NZ calendar for [more information about these events and other upcoming events](#).

[Email us](#) if you'd like us to add your event.

Primary Care Practitioners: Learn on demand anytime

- **Dermatoscopy and Melanomas** (free mini course), Skin Cancer Symposiums
- **Introduction to Skin Cancer**, Skin Cancer College Australasia
- **Skin Cancer Medicine**, HealthCert
- **Skin Cancer Surgery**, HealthCert
- **Dermoscopy**, HealthCert
- **Advanced Certificate of Dermatoscopy**, Skin Cancer Symposiums
- **Advanced Certificate of Dermoscopy for Dermatology**, HealthCert
- **Medical Certificate of Dermoscopy for Dermatology**, HealthCert
- **Dermatoscopy Masterclass**, Skin Cancer Symposiums
- **Masterclass in Dermoscopy**, HealthCert
- **Advanced Certificate of Histopathology for Dermoscopy**, HealthCert
- **Professional Certificate of Advanced Dermatoscopy**, Skin Cancer Symposiums
- **General Practice Fellowship Certificate of Advanced Dermatoscopy**, Skin Cancer Symposiums

[Information about skin cancer education for primary care practitioners](#) is available online.

Skin Matters: In the News

Keep up to date with the latest skin cancer news. Read these articles and more on our website:

- *Formative research to inform an Australian innovative mass-reach national skin cancer prevention campaign*, Health Promotion Journal of Australia [Read article](#)
- *Integrative single-cell analysis uncovers distinct tumour microenvironment ecotypes and immune evasion across skin cancers*, Clinical and Translational Medicine [Read article](#)
- *Transcription factor HOXD13 drives melanoma growth and immune evasion*, Cancer Discovery [Read article](#)
- *Findings of randomized clinical trial support use of adjuvant pembrolizumab in high-risk stage II melanoma*, JAMA Network Open [Read article](#)
- *Real-world evidence on adverse event management and time on therapy with adjuvant dabrafenib plus trametinib in patients with BRAF V600-mutant melanoma*, Cancers [Read article](#)

- *Ancestry and somatic profile indicate acral melanoma origin and prognosis*, Nature [Read article](#)
- *Melanoma brain metastasis: new molecular insights and therapeutic directions*, International Journal of Molecular Sciences [Read article](#)

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