

ALICE STREET MEDICAL CENTRE

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SOLARSCAN INFORMATION

Please read this pamphlet for information about having a complete skin screen.

Alice St Medical Centre is now offering our patients appointments for complete skin screening with a combination of clinical examination and Solar Scan.

We can also offer complete skin screening to patients who do not normally attend our practice but in these cases, patients will be referred back to their usual doctors for general medical care.

APPOINTMENTS

Please confirm with reception when your doctor is available.

Dr. Stark	Monday
Dr. Griffiths/Leven	Tuesday
Dr. Earl	Wednesday
Dr. Caines	Thursday
Dr. McLellan	Friday

The amount of time we spend in Australia's harsh sunlight has placed us at risk of developing melanoma and other skin lesions. The Solar Scan equipment enables us to record a permanent photographic record of any skin lesions and to do a computer analysis of any suspicious dark coloured spots or moles. We are happy to offer this service to any of our patients but especially anyone who has an increased risk of melanoma or skin cancer. This especially includes people who have a previous melanoma or a family history of melanoma, people who have a large number of moles, and people who have a previous history of skin cancers.

It is important to understand that this service is aimed at screening your skin and moles. If you have a mole, which has recently appeared or changed you should see your doctor promptly about it and not wait for a skin screening appointment.

*At your skin screening appointment all of your skin and nails will be checked so it is important that **you don't wear make-up and remove any nail polish.** You will be asked to undress to underclothes during the check up so wearing something easy to take off and on will be helpful. This consultation will be devoted entirely to the skin check, so if you have other medical problems please book an appointment for them at a separate time.*

NEW PATIENTS

Currently we are unable to accept patients for skin cancer checks, solar scans and skin treatment who have not previously attended our practice. Due to commitments to our existing patients we are unable to take on your general medical care and you will be directed back to your regular practitioner following your skin check and removal of any skin cancers.

If any skin lesions are found which need treatment, you will be given an appointment for this to be done at a later date. If specialist treatment is required, you will be referred to the appropriate specialist of your choice.

Due to the expense of the Solar Scan equipment, a fee will be charged if you choose to book in for a skin check with Solar Scan. There is no Private Health Fund rebate for the Solar Scan component of the examination. This means that there will be a fee charged on the day with out of pocket expense as outlined in this brochure.

DVA Card Holders

All patients with a DVA card will be billed a pension fee, as skin checks and use of the solar scan testing equipment is not a recognized item number through Medicare.

FEES	Fee	Refund	Gap
Level 23			
Standard Fee	\$101.00	\$37.60	\$63.40
Aged Pensioners	\$71.00	\$37.60	\$33.40
Health Care Holder	\$91.00	\$37.60	\$53.40

If the consultation is longer and more complex the following fees apply;

25 – 40 minutes

Level 36			
Standard Fee	\$133.00	\$72.80	\$60.20
Aged Pensioners	\$103.00	\$72.80	\$30.20
Health Care Holder	\$123.00	\$72.80	\$50.20