

## Skin lesions and dermatoscopy: an all-day course for health professionals

Friday 23 March 2017

10.00 am – 5.00 pm

Venue: Vodafone Events Centre, Auckland

(The course is part of the [Goodfellow Symposium](#))

Conducted by Honorary Associate Professor Amanda Oakley, this one-day course addresses clinical and dermatoscopic diagnosis of common benign and malignant skin lesions, particularly pigmented lesions. Participants should gain increased confidence in their diagnostic skills, leading to a reduction in unnecessary excisions of benign conditions. The course will be highly interactive. The course material is based on the chaos and clues, modified pattern recognition method.

### Morning Session: Common Skin Lesions

*This session will outline the clinical and dermatoscopic aspects of common benign and malignant skin lesions, particularly pigmented skin lesions. Although diagnosis will be the focus, choices for management will be outlined, time permitting.*

9.30 Arrival and tea/coffee

10.00 Introductions and Course Overview

Course context: *Standards of Service Provision for Melanoma Patients in New Zealand – Provisional* (Standards 1.1, 1.2, 1.3)

See: <http://www.melnet.org.nz/resources>

Pre-test of dermatoscopic images of 10 common skin lesions

Introduction to dermatoscopy

History: risk factors for skin cancer

Examination of the skin

Pigmented melanocytic lesions: Melanocytic naevi and melanoma

11.00 Pigmented nonmelanocytic lesions

Melanotic macules

Basal and squamous cell cancer

Vascular lesions

Seborrhoeic keratosis

Dermatofibroma

12.30 Lunch

## Afternoon Session: Dermatoscopy

*This session will focus on distinguishing benign from malignant pigmented lesions using modified pattern analysis to describe dermatoscopic features.*

- 1.15 Dermatoscopic patterns
  - Lines, circles, dots, clods and structureless zones
  - Single and multiple patterns
  - Symmetry and asymmetry
  - Patterns seen in naevi
  - Clues to melanoma
  
- 3.00 Afternoon tea
  
- 3.15 Lesions that should be excised
  - Monitoring skin lesions
  - Review of the pre-test
  - If time allows: Nonpigmented skin lesions
  - Questions and answers
  
- 5.00 Course finishes

The “Skin Lesions and dermatoscopy: course for health professionals” has been endorsed by The Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners (RNZCGP) and has been approved for up to **7.0 credits** CME for General Practice Educational Programme Stage 2 (GPEP2) and Maintenance of Professional Standards (MOPS) purposes.

The course is hosted by MelNet and the Goodfellow Symposium.

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