10 Sun Safety Tips for Golfers

Get into the swing of protecting your skin!

- Apply a UVA and UVB sunscreen (broadspectrum) with an SPF of 15 or higher 30 minutes before going outdoors
- **Use a golf-ball sized amount** of sunscreen (one ounce) to cover your entire body.
- Re-apply every nine holes (every two hours!
 even on a cloudy or cool day.)
- **Completely coat** all exposed areas of your face, head and body, ears, neck, nose, shoulders, back of the hands and front/back of your arms and legs.
- **Cover your lips** with sun protective lip balm or sunscreen.
- **Check expiration dates** on your sunscreen to ensure effectiveness.
- **Seek shade** whenever possible, and cover yourself with a golf umbrella between holes.
- **Wear a broad-brimmed hat** (preferably with a back flap) instead of baseball caps to help protect your face, ears and neck.
- **Protect your eyes** with UV-protective sunglasses.
- Wear sun protective clothing (tightly woven) including long pants and long-sleeved shirts as often as possible.
 - Examine your skin often. Any skin lesion that crusts, bleeds or does not heal should be examined by a dermatologist promptly.
 - Moles that itch, bleed or change in size, shape or color should be examined promptly.
 - Have your skin thoroughly examined by a dermatologist at least once a year, or as recommended by your dermatologist.

Practice sun safety as a way of life!