

THE PUBLIC PULSE

Skin cancer screening wise

I would like to thank all of those who took part in the free skin cancer screening on Saturday at Methodist Hospital's Estabrook Cancer Center in Omaha.

I have lost two family members to melanoma, so it is very important to me to check my skin. Not all insurance plans cover regular checkups, and having a chance to have a doctor give you a professional opinion is wonderful.

May is Melanoma Awareness Month, but how many of us really know anything about this form of skin cancer? These types of events can be life-changing for many.

Early detection is the best way to protect yourself from "the beast." Again, a big thank-you to the doctors, volunteers and others who made this event a success.

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