

Talking About Your Treatment Options

Mohs surgery is just one treatment option for basal cell and squamous cell skin cancer. It is important to talk with your doctor to understand what type of skin cancer you have, what your goals are for treatment, and about the risks and benefits of each treatment option. That conversation is one way to take an active role in your care and to help choose the right treatment for you.

My skin cancer

What type of skin cancer (carcinoma) do I have?

- Basal cell carcinoma
- Squamous cell carcinoma
- Another type: _____

My goals and expectations

It is most important to me that my skin cancer treatment:

- Cure my skin cancer so that it does not come back
- Leave no scars
- Not be surgery or use stitches
- Be done by my dermatologist
- Be covered by my insurance
- Be done in 1 day
- Have little to no recovery time or follow-up care
- Not be a pill
- Not need me to stop taking my current medicines
- _____

My treatment options

Which treatments do you think may be right for my skin cancer and why?	What are the risks?	What else should I know about this treatment, like cost, scarring, or recovery time?