



## Preventive Health – Victorian Melanoma and Clinical Trials Centre

Australians battling melanoma will benefit from a world-class melanoma and clinical trials centre.

The Government will provide \$50 million to establish the Victorian Melanoma and Clinical Trials Centre at the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne.

The purpose-built centre will provide state-of-the-art facilities and world-class diagnostic, treatment and laboratory facilities. Patients will also have access to life saving clinical trials through a ‘TrialHub’.

This will be one of only a few facilities able to provide comprehensive treatment for every stage, and complication, of melanoma by one dedicated team.

The co-location of melanoma, oncology, clinical trials and research operations will support the TrialHub initiatives, including clinical trials for melanoma.

### **Why is this important?**

According to Cancer Australia, more than 16,000 Australians will be diagnosed with melanoma this year, and sadly, almost 1,500 people will lose this battle.

The survival rates for melanoma decrease the later the disease is diagnosed.

The new Victorian Melanoma and Clinical Trials Centre will provide best practice and world leading treatment and access to clinical trials for patients – offering new hope where there may have been none.

### **Who will benefit?**

The almost 16,000 Australians fighting melanoma and their families will benefit from the establishment of this world-class facility.

### **How much will this cost?**

This will cost \$50 million from 2020–21 to 2021–22.