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Atlanta's Most Comprehensive Dermatology Practice

MetroDerm provides unparalleled services for patients seeking skin care excellence.

or patients in the Atlanta area, finding quality dermatologic care has never been easier.

MetroDerm provides outstanding medical, surgical, and cosmetic care to people of all ages.

"We carefully evaluate every new technology and dermatologic procedure for safety and efficacy before offering it to our patients. We aim to provide a collaborative, professional, welcoming, and comfortable environment for patients and staff at each of our four area offices," says Dr. Amy Kim, a board-certified dermatologist whose focus lies in skin cancer management and Mohs micrographic surgery. "And we pride ourselves on being the best in our field."

Medical Dermatology

Focusing on skin conditions, medical dermatology involves everything from acne and rosacea to dry skin and warts, with treatments and therapies as varied as the conditions themselves.

"For a condition like dry skin, treatment might include medication, dietary changes, or creams and ointments. For something like a suspicious looking mole, a dermatologist might take a biopsy to see if the mole is malignant and may remove the mole if it is cancerous," explains Dr. Eileen Niren, who has more than 35 years of dermatologic experience.

The incidence of skin cancer is growing, she notes, and it is now the most common type of cancer in the world.

According to Dr. Julia Neckman, most people get skin cancer from exposure to too much ultraviolet light or sun or from tanning beds.

"Skin cancer is highly curable if treated early, and our team of experienced providers is trained in the diagnosis and treatment of all types of skin cancer," she adds. "Annual screenings are a vital tool for early detection."



MetroDerm is pleased to announce that Dr. Abbie Degesys has recently joined the practice. Dr. Degesys is a board-certified dermatologist and Mohs Surgeon and a member of the American College of Mohs Surgery. She is a native of Atlanta and graduated summa cum laude from Vanderbilt

University. Dr. Degesys earned her medical degree from Vanderbilt's School of Medicine. Following her dermatology residency at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, she completed a fellowship, also at UNC at Chapel Hil, in Mohs micrographic surgery and dermatologic oncology.



Other dermatologic conditions the MetroDerm physicians treat include dermatitis, eczema, psoriasis, melasma, and contact dermatitis. In addition to adults, the team also treats children. It takes a special pediatric dermatology doctor to diagnose and treat younger patients. As both parents and medical providers, the physicians at MetroDerm have the patience and experience to diagnose and treat children. Common conditions include diaper rash, viral warts, molluscum, and impetigo.

Cosmetic Dermatology

People are busier than ever, and setting aside the couple of weeks necessary for surgery and recovery time can be a challenge. Nonsurgical procedures, however, take far less time to administer. The physicians at MetroDerm can address a variety of cosmetic concerns with a multidisciplinary approach. Dr. Laura Garvey, MetroDerm's board-certified vascular surgeon, can evaluate and correct

varicose and spider veins with minimally invasive techniques in the outpatient setting. Other members of MetroDerm's staff can help patients select the products that will best deliver desired aesthetic results, including rejuvenation and resurfacing treatments like microdermabrasion, laser resurfacing, and chemical peels, or any of a variety of injectables, such as Botox®, Juvederm®, and Radiesse®.

"Cosmetic services really can feel a lot more like an indulgence than a medical treatment," Dr. Corrie Alford notes. "A combination of nonsurgical in-office procedures, for example, can really make a difference, revitalizing skin and leaving it looking more youthful and glowing."

