



# Skin Tag/Mole Removal

**Q What is a skin tag?**

**A** Skin tags are common skin growths that look like a small piece of soft hanging skin.

**Q What is a mole?**

**A** A mole is a small spot on the skin that is usually dark-colored and raised.

**Q Who can perform skin tag/mole removal?**

**A** Only licensed physicians can perform skin tag/mole removals. Skin tag/mole removal is considered an invasive procedure and, therefore, licensed cosmetologists, barbers, manicurists, estheticians, and electrologists are prohibited from removing skin tags.

**Q Can skin tags/moles be removed in a barbering and cosmetology establishment?**

**A** No, the removal of skin tags/moles is considered a medical and invasive procedure. This type of service cannot be offered in an establishment licensed by the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.

**Q Where should I go to have a skin tag/mole removed?**

**A** The Board of Barbering and Cosmetology highly encourages you to contact a licensed physician to have this type of service performed. Individuals licensed by the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology have not received training in this type of service and are strictly prohibited from performing this service.

