

Suspected Skin Cancer Guidance

Which skin patients are appropriate for a 'Fast-Track' referral? (To be seen within 2 weeks)

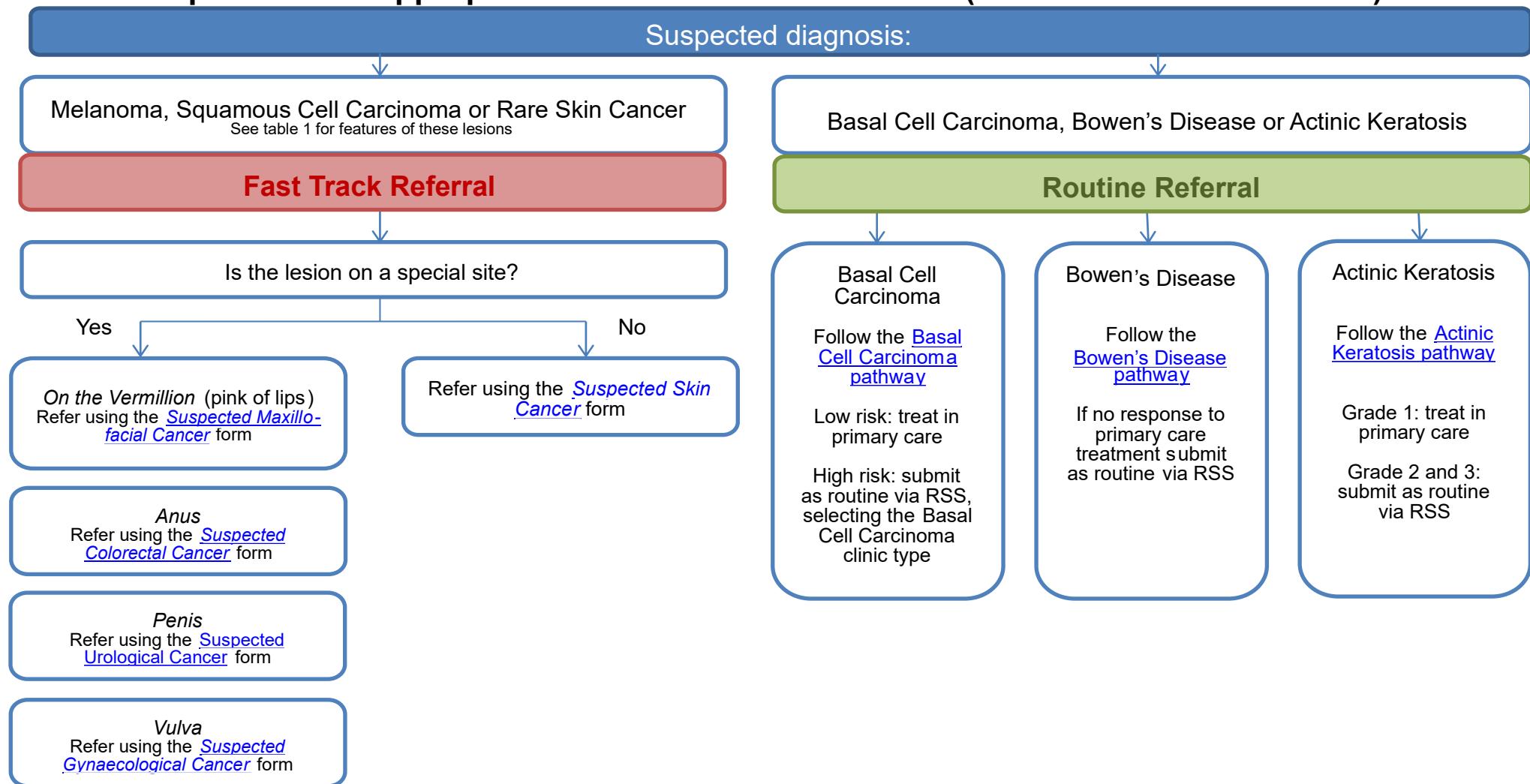


Table 1 – Features of Melanomas and Squamous Cell Carcinomas

Melanoma	<p>Score of 3+ from this 7-point weighted checklist</p> <p>Major features of lesion (scoring 2 points each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change in size • Irregular shape • Irregular colour <p>Minor features of lesion (scoring 1 point each)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largest diameter 7mm or more <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inflammation • Oozing • Change in sensation 	<p>Remember: Melanomas may look like a pyogenic granuloma</p>  <p>Photograph taken from http://www.pcds.org.uk/clinical-guidance/pyogenic-granuloma#</p>
Squamous Cell Carcinoma SCC	<p>Possible Features</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Growing in size • Non-healing ulcer • Commonly on face, scalp, back of hand • Induration on palpation • Hard/keratotic surface • Easy bleeding/friable nodule • Occurring in immunosuppressed patient 	<p>Remember: SCCs and melanomas may be amelanotic/friable</p>  <p>Photograph taken from http://www.pcds.org.uk/clinical-guidance/melanoma-an-overview1#!prettyPhoto</p>

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