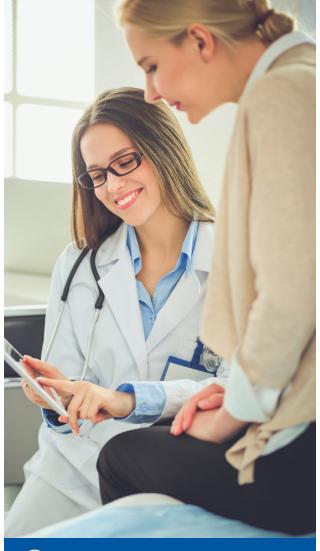
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### **MOHS SURGERY**

Gold Standard Skin Cancer Treatment







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#### **Mohs Micrographic Surgery**

Mohs micrographic surgery, commonly called Mohs surgery, is a very precise surgery used to treat skin cancer by removing and examining thin layers of cancerous skin cells repeatedly until only cancer-free tissue remains. The entire surgical procedure, including post-surgery reconstruction of the wound, is usually completed in a single outpatient appointment.

## The Gold Standard Skin Cancer Treatment

Mohs surgery has the highest cure rate with the lowest chances of regrowth, in some cases less than 1%, for common types of skin cancer, including basal cell carcinomas (BCC), squamous cell carcinomas (SCC), as well as other less common skin cancers.

#### Mohs Surgery at Bassett Healthcare Network

Bassett Healthcare Network offers consultations for skin cancer surgery treatment throughout Upstate and Central New York, including in Cobleskill, Cooperstown, Herkimer, Little Falls, and Oneonta. Mohs surgery treatment is offered at Bassett's Hartwick Seminary Specialty Services in Milford, NY.

A referral from your healthcare practitioner is required for Mohs surgery.

# Could Mohs skin cancer surgery be right for you?

Your care team will review your medical history, examine your symptoms, and perform a detailed assessment of your current condition. Scenarios that may qualify patients for Mohs surgery may include having skin lesions or issues that:

- Are located on areas where it is important to maintain cosmetic appearance and function, such as the face or genitals
- Are likely to return or that have recurred following a previous treatment
- · Have aggressive features such as rapid growth
- · Are present in scar tissue
- Are large
- · Have undefined edges

#### Meet Dr. Margaret Dowd Board-Certified & Fellowship-Trained Mohs Surgeon, Dermatologist



Dr. Margaret Dowd is committed to the highest standards of Mohs surgery excellence, and is boardcertified by both the American Board of Dermatology and the American College of Mohs Surgery (ACMS). She is also one of a select few ACMS Fellowship-trained Mohs surgeons in Central New York.

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