



Skin cancer prevention a whole-of-Council approach

Shade in public spaces Recreation facilities • parks & gardens • streetscapes

CHECKLIST

- Establish a shade audit* program for Community Land.
- Set priorities for shade development, for example, areas frequented by children would be a high priority as sun protection during childhood is important in reducing future skin cancer risk
- Include shade development and maintenance in Council's annual open space budget
- Ask sports clubs to provide a comprehensive SunSmart Policy as part of their lease/license agreement
- Consider requiring effective portable shade provision for spectators and off-field players as a criteria for sports club leases and licenses, particularly for summer sports
- Consider buying portable shade structures (eg. tents, marquees, umbrellas) for use by Council and hired to sporting clubs and/or outdoor event organisers
- Include shade development and maintenance in Community Land Management Plans
- Include shade development and maintenance in Council's operational plans
- Include shade provision in various open space policies (eg recreation, streetscapes, parks and gardens, playgrounds)
- Collaborate with other relevant departments such as planning, risk management and community development

* A shade audit identifies: effectiveness of existing shade; better use of existing shade (eg relocation of furniture, tree pruning); use patterns of a site; shade needs; strategies to reduce indirect UVR (eg ground surfaces, vertical shade).