

# CVD

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| <p><b>CVD</b><br/><b>(cardiovascular disease)</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General term covering all diseases of heart and circulatory system</li> <li>- Affects the heart and blood vessels, which includes stroke and heart attack</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 34% of death in Australia</li> <li>- Leading cause of death in Australia</li> <li>- Kills 1 Australian every 10minutes</li> <li>- 18% of Australia's burden of disease</li> <li>- Mortality rates are decreasing</li> <li>- CVD rates are double in ATSI's</li> </ul> | <p><u>Risks Factors;</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gender</li> <li>- Advancing age</li> <li>- Family history</li> <li>- Poor diet</li> <li>- Smoking</li> <li>- Lack of exercise</li> <li>- High blood pressure</li> <li>- High cholesterol</li> <li>- Obese or overweight</li> </ul> <p><u>Protective Factors;</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Know your family history</li> <li>- Get regular health checks</li> <li>- Eat healthy diet, low in salts and fats</li> <li>- Not smoking</li> <li>- Exercising regularly</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Having a disability or injury</li> <li>- Low education/SES</li> <li>- Lack of access to facilities and technology</li> <li>- Males and their social expectations (don't seek medical advice due to macho attitude)</li> <li>- Media (provides health promotion)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ATSI's</li> <li>- Smokers</li> <li>- High blood pressure</li> <li>- Low SES</li> <li>- Rural/Remote areas</li> <li>- Over 65+ age (the elderly)</li> <li>- Males</li> <li>- "Blue-collar workers"</li> </ul> |

# Cancer (Skin, Breast, Lung)

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| <p><b>Cancer (Skin, Breast, Lung)</b></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any type of malignant growth or tumour</li> <li>- Group of diseases that results from the uncontrolled/abnormal growth of body cells</li> <li>- Lung, skin, breast, prostate and cervical cancer are the most prevalent</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Leading cause of death (28%)</b></li> <li>- <b>Incidence has increased</b></li> <li>- <b>Mortality has decreased</b></li> <li>- <b>Morbidity has increased</b></li> </ul> <p><b><u>Most common in males;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Prostate</li> <li>✚ Bowel</li> <li>✚ Melanoma</li> <li>✚ Lung</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Causing most deaths in males;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✚ Lung</li> <li>✚ Prostate</li> <li>✚ Bowel</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Most common in females;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Breast</li> <li>❖ Bowel</li> <li>❖ Melanoma</li> <li>❖ Lung</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Causing most deaths in females;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Lung</li> <li>❖ Breast</li> <li>❖ Bowel</li> </ul> | <p><b><u>Risk Factors;</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Lung Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exposure to radiation and carcinogens</li> <li>- Age</li> <li>- Gender</li> <li>- Family History</li> <li>- Smoking</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Skin Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Exposure to sun (11am-3pm)</li> <li>- Fair skin</li> <li>- Moles (type and number)</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Breast Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Family history</li> <li>- Early menstruation</li> <li>- Obesity</li> <li>- Gender</li> <li>- Having children either too late or not at all</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Protective Factors;</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Lung Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Avoid exposure to smoke and don't smoke</li> <li>- Know family history and get regular checks</li> <li>- Avoid exposure to hazardous materials</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Skin Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Avoid sunlight</li> <li>- Reduce exposure to sunlight (protection)</li> <li>- Examine moles</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Breast Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consume health diet (low in fats)</li> <li>- Practise-Self-Examination and know family history</li> <li>- Regular mammograms if over 50 years old</li> </ul> | <p><b><u>Lung Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Occupational exposure to radiation and toxic materials (e.g. asbestos)</li> <li>- Increased education and health promotion</li> <li>- Societies view on smoking has changed</li> <li>- Increased laws with smoking</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Skin Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor jobs</li> <li>- Media – having a tan is cool</li> <li>- Increased education and awareness</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Breast Cancer;</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- More pressure on women to be working, which prolongs the age of them having children</li> <li>- Family history</li> <li>- Lack of access to health care facilities</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Women</li> <li>- Smokers</li> <li>- Sun Bakers</li> <li>- High fat diets</li> <li>- Earlier sex life</li> <li>- Women never giving birth</li> <li>- “Macho” attitude</li> <li>- Life guards</li> <li>- Rural/Remote areas</li> <li>- ATISs</li> </ul> |

# Diabetes (Type 1, 2 & Gestational Diabetes)

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| Diabetes              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Diabetes is a condition affecting the body's ability to take glucose from the bloodstream to use it for energy</li> <li>- <b>3 types of diabetes;</b></li> <li>1. <b>Type 1;</b> occurs when the pancreas no longer produces the insulin needed</li> <li>2. <b>Type 2;</b> occurs when the pancreas is not producing enough insulin and the insulin that is being produced is not working effectively</li> <li>3. <b>Gestational Diabetes;</b> occurs only in pregnancy and usually disappears after birth, however may reoccur in next pregnancy</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fastest growing chronic disease</li> <li>- 1 person is diagnosed every 7mins</li> <li>- Prevalence increases with age</li> <li>- Incidence is similar between males and females</li> <li>- ATSI have the highest prevalence in the world</li> <li>- 6<sup>th</sup> highest cause of death in Australia</li> </ul> | <p><b>Risk Factors;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Race (ATSI)</li> <li>- Hypertension</li> <li>- Stress</li> <li>- Elderly</li> <li>- Inactivity</li> <li>- Pregnancy</li> <li>- Obesity</li> <li>- Family History</li> </ul> <p><b>Protective Factors;</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Eat wide variety of nutritious foods</li> <li>- Limit alcohol intake</li> <li>- Mandatory physical activity/education at school</li> <li>- Low salt/fat intake</li> <li>- Encourage and support breastfeeding</li> <li>- Maintaining a healthy body weight</li> <li>- Food labels</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lack of education</li> <li>- Limited access to health services</li> <li>- People with family history of diabetes</li> <li>- People with low SES/low income</li> <li>- Having an allergy or disability</li> <li>- People living in city are more likely to have fast food since its convenient</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ATSI</li> <li>- Women who had diabetes during pregnancy</li> <li>- Elderly</li> <li>- Family history of diabetes</li> <li>- Overweight people</li> <li>- People who consume a diet high in sugar</li> </ul> |