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## Senator Fuschillo and Ccmac to Offer Free Skin Cancer Screening Program

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New York State Senator Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr. (R-Merrick) will be partnering with the Colette Coyne Melanoma Awareness Campaign (CCMAC) in sponsoring a free skin cancer screening program to help protect residents from skin cancer.

The free skin cancer screening program will be held on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 3:30 pm at the Wantagh Park pool, which is located at 1 King Road in Wantagh, just south of Merrick Road. Screenings will be conducted by trained dermatologists. CCMAC will be working with Dr. Jeffrey Ellis & Dr. Amy Slear of Belaray Dermatology, Dr. Steve McClain of McClain Labs, and doctors from Stony Brook Hospital Dermatology Service to provide the free screenings. Residents can show up anytime during the program; no appointments are required.

According to CCMAC, one in five people will be diagnosed with some type of skin cancer in their lifetime. Malignant melanoma, a form of skin cancer, is the fastest growing cancer in America, claiming one life every hour. People of all ethnic backgrounds and races can get skin cancer. One blistering sunburn during childhood or adolescence more than doubles melanoma risk later in life.

Residents who would like more information about the skin cancer screening program should call Senator Fuschillo's office at 516-882-0630.

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