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## The Indoor Tanning Association's Statement on The Surgeon General's Call to Action on Preventing Skin Cancer

In spite of what the public has been led to believe, there is no data to link moderate non-burning exposure to ultraviolet light and melanoma skin cancer.

The fact is there is no consensus among researchers regarding the relationship between melanoma skin cancer and UV exposure either from the sun or a sunbed. Proponents of sun avoidance always exaggerate the risks of exposure to ultraviolet light in order to get the attention of the public, the media and the government. It is also a fact that ultraviolet light from a sunbed is the same as that from the sun and regular moderate non-burning exposure is essential for good health.

The Indoor Tanning Association believes that sunburn prevention – not sun avoidance – is the correct approach.