



Eczema Support  
AUSTRALIA

# Eczema Care for Everyone

## GET CONTROL OF ECZEMA

### What is eczema?

Eczema is a condition that makes skin itchy. The skin can be dry and sometimes flaky.

**It can't be cured but it can be controlled.**

### Keep skin moisturised

Moisturising all over, everyday, helps keep skin healthy.








### Keep flares under control

When the skin gets sore and itchy, it is called a flare. There are safe treatments from the doctor that can help.



### ● Keep skin calm

Here are common things that may make eczema worse:

| Common eczema triggers:   | Try this:   |
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|  <b>Soaps, bubble baths, washing powders</b>           | Use soap-free and fragrance-free products.                                  |
|  <b>Getting too hot</b>                              | Wear soft cotton or bamboo clothes. Dress in light layers. Keep rooms cool. |
|  <b>Prickly fabrics (wool) or synthetics (nylon)</b> | Wear loose, soft cotton or bamboo clothes.                                  |
|  <b>Sand, carpet or grass</b>                        | Cover skin with cotton or bamboo clothes or sit on a towel.                 |
|  <b>Scratching</b>                                   | Keep nails short. Use scratch sleeves or mittens if needed.                 |
|  <b>Over-chlorinated swimming pools</b>              | Rinse off after swimming and use lots of moisturiser.                       |
|  <b>Teething and dribbling (babies)</b>              | Apply a barrier cream like petroleum jelly around the mouth and chin.       |



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For the downloadable Eczema Care Plan, 'How To' video resources and helpful links visit  
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