

## Information about scoliosis from the Spine Society of Australia

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The Scoliosis Australia website (www.scoliosis-australia.org) is a project of the Spine Society of Australia, an Affiliate of the Australian Orthopaedic Association, and provides information about scoliosis, the commonest form of spinal curvature, for patients, parents, health professionals and medical practitioners.

Topics covered are:

- About Scoliosis – Information for patients and parents
- Policy Statement concerning screening for scoliosis
- The National Self-Detection Program for Scoliosis (NSDPS)
- Self-Detection Brochure
- Role of the Family Doctor and separate summary
- Role of the Radiologist
- Genetic Basis of Scoliosis
- Removal of Correction Rods
- Scoliosis Specialist Directory
- Online discussion forum
- Patient stories

The forum provides a venue where girls and their parents can obtain general advice from certified specialists who manage patients with spinal curvature in the interactive Ask Dr Scoliosis forum. In the general discussion forums members can share experiences and young girls with scoliosis can discuss fashion styles with our fashion consultant. There is also a forum where healthcare professionals, school Principals, school nurses and parents of a child with scoliosis can discuss the NSDPS.

Comments on the information provided are welcomed and should be emailed to -  
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