



Warning Signs

It's fairly common for athletes to have pimples, cuts, and abrasions on their skin. So how do you know when it might be MRSA and should be referred to a doctor or hospital for a more complete evaluation?

Here are some warning signs to look for and ask about when deciding whether a wound requires medical intervention:

- Longer than normal healing time
- Any increase in size
- Unexplained or unusual pain or sensitivity
- The presence of pus or a pustule
- Induration (hardness)
- The sensation of heat
- Abnormal swelling or redness
- Red streaks around the lesion
- Abnormal coloration

