



# UI Burn Treatment Center

## Burn Patient Transfers and Consultation

**Follow these steps:**

- 1** Call **319-356-2496**.
- 2** Ask to speak to the charge nurse about a burn patient transfer/consultation.
- 3** Provide:
  - estimated body surface area of burn
  - age of patient
  - status of airway
  - other trauma injuries
  - proposed method of transport

### Burn Center Referral Criteria

- Partial thickness burns >10% TBSA
- Burns involving face, hands, feet, genitalia, perineum, or major joints
- Third-degree burns in any age group
- Electrical burns, including lightning injury
- Chemical burns
- Inhalation injury
- Burns in a patient with medical history that could complicate management or prolong recovery
- Burns with associated trauma
- Burned children
- Burns in patient requiring special social, emotional, or long-term rehab intervention
- Frostbite injury

**Emergency Burn Care: see back of card**

# Emergency Burn Care



- A - Airway**
  1. Assess airway
  2. Establish airway
- B - Breathing**
  1. 100% high flow O<sub>2</sub>
- C - Circulation/C-spine immobilization**
  1. Initiate two peripheral IVs (greater than 10%)
  2. LR for fluid resuscitation
  3. Spine precautions as needed
- D - Disability**
  1. Glasgow Coma Scale
  2. Assess for neurological deficit
- E - Evaluate Burn**
  1. Estimate percent of burn (see chart)
  2. Expose and examine
  3. Note circumferential areas
  4. IV analgesia
  5. Remove jewelry
- F - Falling Temperature**
  1. Plastic wrap on wounds
  2. Warm, dry blankets
  3. Warm fluids
- G - GI and GU Tract**
  1. Nothing by mouth
  2. Nasogastric tube
  3. Foley catheter
- H - Head to Toe History**
  - S. Signs and symptoms, mechanism of injury
  - A. Allergies
  - M. Medications
  - P. Past medical history
  - L. Last meal
  - E. Events leading to injury
  - T. Tetanus status
- I - Irrigate Chemical Injuries**
  1. Flush eyes/skin
  2. Dry dressings

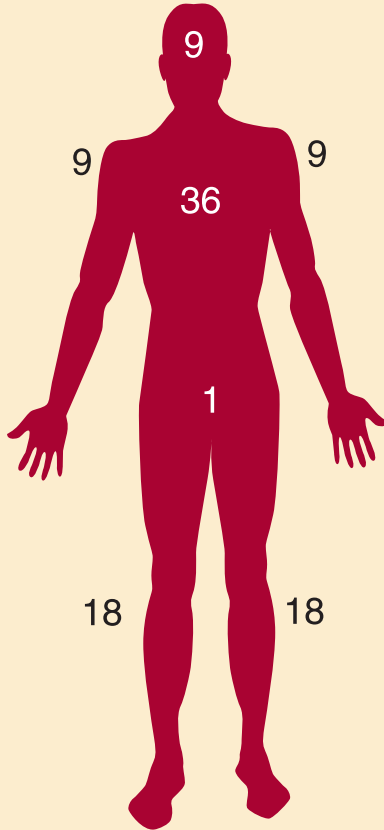


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**Estimating Percent of Burn:**  
*(adult)*

## RULE OF NINES

Estimate % burn for each body part according to age



**Estimating Percent of Burn for Child or Infant:**  
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