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Protocol #662

Division: Emergency Medical Services Agency

BURNS	
ADULT	PEDIATRIC (≤34 KG)
BLS	
Universal Protocol #601	

- Universal Protocol #601
- **Pulse Oximetry** 
  - O<sub>2</sub> administration per Airway Management Protocol #602
- - Stop the burning process (see notes)
  - Cover with clean dressing/sheet
- Chemical
  - Decontamination and HazMat procedures
  - Brush off dry powder
  - o Irrigate with water or saline
  - Continue irrigation en route
- Electrical
  - Cover with clean dressing/sheet

## **ALS Standing Orders**

- Pain Control per Pain Management Protocol #603
- Hypotension SBP of ≤90mmHg or if unable to palpate peripheral pulses
  - Normal Saline up to 500 mL IV
    - May repeat X 1 for ongoing hypotension
- Pain Control per Pain Management Protocol
- Hypotension as identified for age group
  - Normal Saline IV/IO 20 mL/kg not to exceed 500 mL
    - May repeat x1 if no change in SBP

## **Base Hospital Orders Only**

As needed As needed

## **Notes**

- Remove rings, constrictive clothing and garments made of synthetic material
- Stop the burning process
  - o Initially cool with tepid water
  - Do not use ice or ice packs on burns
- When burn area is < 10% may use moist/gel dressings for comfort
- Use appropriate dressings to prevent hypothermia
- Maintain burned body areas in neutral position
- Assess for complicating factors, i.e. exposure in enclosed space, total time exposed, drugs or alcohol
- If associated with trauma, transport per Trauma Triage and Destination Policy #153
- If no trauma associated with burn, transport to nearest hospital for evaluation and stabilization