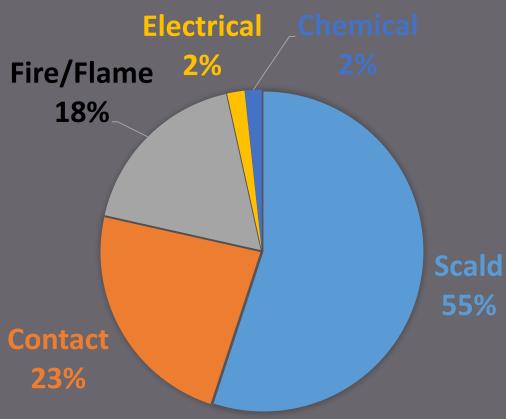
## Pediatric Burn Injuries



## Top Types of Burns for Pediatrics





#### **Interesting Fact**

Preparing or consuming Noodles is the most common reason given for pediatric scald burn.

Mentioned in 13% of all scald H&P narratives

### Epidemiology

#### Scald Burns

- Most common thermal injuries in children less than 3 years of age
- Prevalent in Child abuse



#### Flame Burns

Most common thermal injuries in children over 3 years of age.

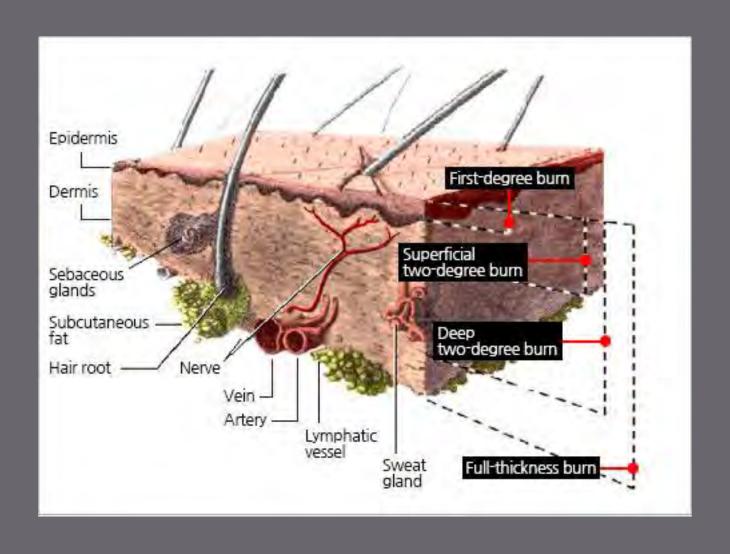




### Skin Function

- Barrier against Infection
- Temperature Regulation
- Prevents fluid loss
- Cosmesis

### Burn Classification



### **Primary Survey**

- Airway with C-spine protection
- Breathing and ventilation
- Circulation, cardiac status with hemorrhage control
- Disability, neurological deficit and gross deformity
- Exposure, Examine, Environment

Airway

- Relatively small airway
- Less edema is needed to develop obstruction

Airway Anatomical Considerations

- Larynx more anterior than in adult
- Glottis more angulated and more anterior
- Narrowest point is cricoid, not glottis
- Insert NGT for decompression which will help to eliminate swallowed air

Airway

### Gauge ETT size by use of Broselow Tape

- Diameter of child's nares
- Diameter of small finger or use formula
- 16+ age in years / 4

### Breathing

- Normal use of abdominal muscles when breathing
- Ensure bilateral breath sounds
- Obtain CXR for tube placement
- Secure tubes

#### Circulation

- Initiate fluid resuscitation immediately
- Establish early IV access:

Peripheral

IO

Central Access



Circulation

## Prehospital and during primary triage in hospital

- ▶ 5 years old and younger: use LR @ 125ml/hr
- 6 14 years old: use LR @ 250ml/hr
- Fluid for child <10kg: use D5LR</p>

Disability

- Assess level of consciousness
- Hypoglycemia
- Hypoxia

Expose, Examine & Environment Control

- Remove all clothing including diaper
- Assess for associated or pre-existing injuries
- Cover with clean, dry linens
- Conserve body heat

### Secondary Survey History

- Events leading to injury
- Past medical history
- Immunization history
- Allergies
- Consider potential for abuse

## Secondary Survey

### Calculate TBSA Burn

- Bigger head
- Smaller legs
- Palmer method(Infant hand 1%)



#### Front and Back totals



## Secondary Survey

Fluid Resuscitation

Fluid resuscitation formulas are

ESTIMATES only!!

Titrate IVF to maintain U/O of 1ml/kg/hr

### Transfer Criteria

Partial and Full-thickness burns to:

Face

Feet

Hands

Genitalia

Perineum

- Inhalation injury
- Chemical injury
- Electrical injury



## Thank-you

