Hillsborough County Fire Rescue STANDING ORDERS AND PROTOCOL

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Subject: Burns – Thermal

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Basic ALS Treatments.

- 2. Evaluate for Trauma Alert criteria
- 3. Specific treatments:
 - a. Stop the burning process:
 - i. Continuous wet sterile dressings over not more than 10% TBSA at one time.
 - ii. Dry sterile dressings or burn sheets over all other burned areas.
 - iii. Prevent loss of body heat.
 - b. Stabilize and resuscitate
 - i. Refer to HCFR SPINAL MOTION RESTRICTION protocol and apply as indicated
 - ii. Administer a **normal saline bolus** IV/IO according to the following formula:
 - 1. 0.25 times the % body surface area with 2nd or 3rd degree burns times the weight (Kg)
 - 2. Sample: (0.25)x(25%)x(70 kg) = 437.5 mL
 - 3. Round up to the nearest 50 mL
 - iii. Refer to HCFR Pain Management protocol.
 - c. For inhalation injuries see HCFR Inhalation of Hot Smoke and Gases protocol.
- 4. ALS transport criteria:
 - a. Burn Center transport criteria
 - i. 2° or 3° burns > 10% TBSA
 - ii. 1° burns > 50% TBSA
 - iii. Explosions
 - iv. Chemical burns
 - v. Dyspnea
 - vi. Facial burns
 - vii. Altered vital signs
 - viii. Circumferential burns
 - ix. Burns to hands or feet