### Background

The large number of burn casualties treated by coalition forces in the Iraq theatre has prompted a reevaluation of the optimal treatment plan. Many lessons have been learned and relearned during the last 4 years of treating casualties during OIF/OEF. Burn patients are very labor intensive and consume significant personnel and class VIII (medical logistic supply materials) resources. Despite the best efforts of providers at every level of care, the mortality for burn casualties who cannot be evacuated out of the theater of operations is significantly higher than that experienced in US facilities (Table 1). Experience among US treatment facilities in the past 3-4 years reveals no survivors among host nation casualties sustaining full thickness burns to 50% or greater total body surface area (TBSA). The spread of infection in large open wards is a real concern, which can threaten the outcome of non-burn patients. Furthermore the average burn patient in Accredited Burn Centers in the US stays 1-2 days for each percent burn. The factors have prompted a reevaluation of the optimal treatment plan based on severity of injury, treatment facility capabilities and potential for evacuation. The following recommendations are provided to assist the physician in making patient management decisions unique to the deployment environment. Chapter 28 of the 2004 edition of the Emergency War Surgery Handbook is an excellent general reference for burn care.

In every case, use of the Burn Patient Admission Orders (Appendix A) and the JTTS Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet (Appendix B) is highly recommended, especially if the patient may transfer to another facility.

#### 1. Coalition Casualties who can be Evacuated Out of Country

- a. Protect airway early, using a large-sized endotracheal tube (ETT) as possible (i.e., 8 mm) is strongly preferred, especially if inhalation injury is noted on bronchoscopy. A large ETT tube ensures ease of bronchoscopy and facilitates pulmonary suction, which are critical with inhalation injuries.
- b. Calculate burn size using a Lund and Browder chart (Appendix C).
- c. Initiate resuscitation using a standard burn formula (1-2 mL/kg/%BSA see Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet) and avoid boluses if possible, prefer to uptitrate the rate of intravenous fluids to maintain adequate urine output (UOP) as described below.
- d. Monitor UOP closely and decrease or increase the LR infusion 20% per hour to maintain a UOP of 30-50 mL/hour.
  - Over-resuscitation is as harmful as under-resuscitation; patients who
    receive over of 6 mL/kg/%BSA burn are susceptible to severe
    complications.
  - 2) Hour- to-hour fluid management is critical, especially during the first 24 hours.
  - 3) Use of the Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet (attached) to record fluid intake and UOP is mandatory. Refer to Appendix D for the Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet Protocol.
- e. Keep the patient warm.
- f. Debride in the operating room (OR) with hibiclens, removing all blistered or sloughing skin (do not perform excision).

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- g. Perform escharotomy and/or fasciotomies early if pulses are not palpable and circumferential burns are present.
- h. Wrap burns on scalp, trunk neck and extremities in 5% Sulfamylon solution soaked dressings TID and as needed to keep dressings moist:
  - 1) There is less mess as opposed to Sulfamylon or Silvadene cream
  - 2) Easier for receiving institution to clean and evaluate on arrival
- i. Measure abdominal compartment pressure for casualties with large burns and those who receive a large resuscitation. Pressures > 25 mm Hg warrant intervention.
- j. Shave and debride face and scalp.
- k. Apply Sulfamylon cream to ear burns BID.
- 1. Apply Bacitracin to face burns QID.
- m. If available, consult ophthalmology for all patients with deep facial burns or corneal injury by Wood's lamp exam.
  - 1) Apply Bacitracin ophthalmic ointment to eye lids QID.
  - 2) Apply Erythromycin ophthalmic ointment QID in the eyes.
- n. Change dressings every day until evacuated.
- o. Consult the Army Burn Center at the USAISR at DSN 312-429-2876 or <a href="mailto:burntrauma.consult@us.army.mil">burntrauma.consult@us.army.mil</a>.

### 2. <u>Host Nation Burn Casualties</u>

- a. Triage casualties with <u>full thickness burns of 50% or greater</u> TBSA as expectant and provide adequate comfort measures. This requires careful and accurate calculation of burn size using a Lund and Browder chart (Appendix C).
- b. Remember that inhalation injury, comorbidities, and extremes of age, in addition to the burn increase mortality. Take these factors into consideration as treatment plans are initiated.
- c. For patients with combined partial and full thickness burns of 50% TBSA or greater, with less than half of the burn being full thickness, initially treat the patient as above (section 1) and allow the partial thickness component to declare itself after 2 days. It is initially sometimes difficult to determine the full extent of the full thickness burn. After 48 hours, reassess the percentage of full thickness burn.
- d. For patients with a less than 50% TBSA burn, attempts at early excision and grafting are recommend.
- e. Presently, no allograft (cadaveric skin) or xenograft (Pig skin) are available in theater; therefore, the extent of excision should be guided by amount of autograft donor skin available, meshing no wider than 3:1.
- f. Consider using a Negative Pressure Wound Dressing (NPWD) over fresh graft with intervening non-adherent layer (i.e. Dermanet, Silverlon) and leave in place for 3-5 days.
- g. Following NPWD removal, use Sulfamylon moistened gauze dressings for next 5-7 days before transitioning to Bacitracin.
- h. Initially excise only as much as donor skin is available to cover.

- 1) Do not excise wounds and leave open. If patients arrive in this state, re-excise and apply a NPWD until granulation tissue is present.
- 2) Rarely need to mesh skin wider than 2:1.
- i. Take the patient to the OR for staged excisions and grafting of the full thickness burns with a goal of complete excision within 1 week of injury.
- j. Once grafts are healed, continue to keep patient clean using showers, when available.
- k. Early ambulation and physical therapy, with range of motion of all affected joints is critical to the long-term functioning of these casualties.
- 1. Early and continuous nutrition is key to wound healing. Use a nasoenteric feeding tube and supplement with high protein, low fat tube enteral feedings, even when patient is able to eat. Utilize nutritionist whenever available. Supplement diet with a daily multivitamin.
- m. Questions about burn care in theater can be answered by the in-theater burn consultant who can be reached at DSN 318-239-7664.

#### 3. Pitfalls

- a. Excising uninfected full thickness burns before having donor skin to cover the wound.
- b. Pseudomonas infections:
  - 1) High rate of graft loss.
  - 2) Ominous sign.
  - 3) Liberal use of Dakin's solution.
  - 4) Delay subsequent grafting until topical pseudomonas is well-treated.
- c. Transition from aggressive care to comfort care:
  - 1) Difficult decision.
  - 2) Initial burn may appear survivable but graft loss, topical infections, or donor site conversion may convert a potentially survivable situation into a non-survivable injury.
  - 3) Be aware of this possibility and the need for potential change to an expectant category.
  - 4) Elicit opinions from medical leaders, partners, and nurses as this is a decision should not be made solely by the treating physician.
- d. Consider inhalational injury in relationship to the TBSA burned when deciding whether to treat the patient or deem the patient expectant. (i.e., a patient with a 40% TBSA burn and an inhalational injury will likely not do well as a patient with a 40% TBSA burn and no inhalational burn)
- e. Perform large dressing changes in the OR (not ICU or ICW), especially early in the treatment process:
  - 1) Better evaluation.
  - 2) Improved ability to clean wounds.
  - 3) Improved pain control.
- f. Initial burn may appear survivable but graft loss, topical infections, or donor site conversion may lead to transition from a potentially survivable situation

- into a non-survivable injury. Be aware of this possibility and the need for potential change to an expectant category.
- g. The decision to do less than everything possible should not be viewed as failure, but rather part of reality in a combat zone. The attending physician should not feel isolated about making the decision to decrease the level of care but should eek the opinions of leaders, partners, and nurses. Consult the Chaplain and, if needed, an interpreter to counsel the patient's family about the prognosis and plans.

### 4. Recommendations for Complicated Burn Care

- a. Recommendations for the difficult fluid resuscitation:
  - At 12-18 hours post-burn, calculate the PROJECTED 24-hour resuscitation if fluid rates are kept constant. If the projected 24-hour resuscitation requirement exceeds 6 mL/kg/%TBSA, the following steps are recommended:
    - a) Initiate 5% albumin early as described previously in the Emergency War Surgery Handbook.
    - b) Check bladder pressures every 4 hours.
    - c) If available, strongly consider placing a pulmonary artery (PA) catheter to guide resuscitation with specific PCWP and SvO<sub>2</sub> goals (Goal PCWP 10-12 mm Hg, SvO<sub>2</sub> 65-70%). If PA catheter placement is not practical, consider monitoring central venous pressures from a subclavian or IJ catheter along with central venous O<sub>2</sub> saturations. (Goal CVP 8-10 cm H<sub>2</sub>O, ScvO<sub>2</sub> 60-65%)
      - If CVP or PCWP are not at goal, increase fluid rate.
      - If CVP or PCWP are at goal, consider vasopressin 0.02-0.04 Units/min to augment MAP (and thus UOP) or dobutamine 5 mcg/kg/min IV (titrate until SvO<sub>2</sub> or ScvO<sub>2</sub> at goal). The maximum dose of dobutamine is 20 mcg/kg/min.
      - If both CVP or PCWP and SvO2 or ScvO<sub>2</sub> are at GOAL, stop increasing fluids (EVEN if UOP < 30 mL/hr). Consider the patient hemodynamically optimized and that the oliguria is likely a result of an established renal insult. Tolerate and expect some degree of renal failure. Continued increases in fluid administration despite optimal hemodynamic parameters will only result in "resuscitation morbidity," that is often times more detrimental than renal failure.
    - d) If the patient becomes hypotensive and oliguric (UOP < 30 mL/hr), then follow the **hypotension guidelines**.
    - e) Every attempt should be made in minimize fluid administration while maintaining organ perfusion. If UOP >

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50 mL/hr, then decrease the fluid rate by 20%.

- 2) After 24 hours, titrate LR infusion down to maintenance levels and continue albumin until the 48-hour mark.
- 3) War burn patients have exhibited multi-system injury to include soft tissue injury secondary to blunt/penetrating injury/blast and inhalational injury which all affect resuscitation amounts and may result in marked increased fluid needs above and beyond standard burn resuscitation formulas. The air evacuation environment may also increase fluid requirements and wound edema.
- b. Recommendations for hypotension:
  - 1) The optimal minimum blood pressure for burn patient must be individualized. Some patients will maintain adequate organ perfusion (and thus have adequate UOP) at MAPs lower than 70 mm Hg. True hypotension must be correlated with UOP. If a MAP is not adequate (generally < 55 mm Hg) to maintain the UOP goal of at least 30 mL/hr, the following steps are recommended.</p>
    - a) Vasopressin 0.02-0.04 units/min IV drip (DO NOT TITRATE).
    - b) Monitor CVP (Goal 8-10 cm H<sub>2</sub>O).
    - c) If CVP not at goal, increase fluid rate.
    - d) If CVP at goal, add Levophed (norepinephrine) 2-20 mcg/min IV.
    - e) If additional pressors are needed, consider inserting a PA catheter to guide resuscitation with specific PCWP and SvO<sub>2</sub> goals (goal PCWP 10-12 mm Hg, SvO<sub>2</sub> 65-70%). These patients may be volume depleted but also suspect a missed injury.
      - If PCWP not at goal, increase the fluid rate.
      - If PCWP at goal, consider a dobutamine drip at 5 mcg/kg/min IV (titrate until SvO<sub>2</sub> at goal). The maximum dose of dobutamine is 20 mcg/kg/min.
      - If hypotension persists, look for a missed injury.
      - Consider adding epinephrine or neosynephrine as a last resort.
    - f) If the patient exhibits catecholamine-resistant shock, consider the following diagnoses:
      - Missed injury and on-going blood loss.
      - Acidemia. If pH < 7.20, adjust ventilator settings to optimize ventilation (target PCO<sub>2</sub> 30-35 mm Hg). If despite optimal ventilation, patient is still has a pH < 7.2, consider bicarb administration.
      - Adrenal insufficiency. Check a random cortisol and start hydrocortisone 100 mg every 8 hours.
      - Hypocalcemia. Maintain ionized calcium > 1.1 mmol/L.
- c. Recommendations for inhalational injury:

- 1) Inhalation injury is further exacerbated by retained soot and chemicals. Remember, inhalation injury is mostly a chemical injury that will benefit from removing the chemical.
- 2) Upon arrival, if patients are found to have visible soot in the airways, make every attempt to débride through bronchoscopic suction as much soot as possible. In addition, keep in mind that irrigation may actually make the injury worse by transporting injurious substances to new, uninjured parts of the lung, so irrigate judiciously.
- 3) If a diagnosis of inhalation injury is made, use aerosolized heparin 5000 units every 4 hours. Mix heparin with albuterol as heparin can induce bronchospasm.
- d. Recommendations for abdominal compartment syndrome:
  - 1) Massive fluid replacement (> 6 mL/kg/% burn) has led to abdominal compartment syndrome (increased bladder pressure, increased airway pressures, decreased UOP, hypotension) and extremity compartment syndromes (beyond standard escharotomy treatment).
  - 2) If the patient requires a decompressive laparotomy, do a full midline incision (NOT a small mini-laparotomy incision) followed by a temporary abdominal closure. If the abdominal wall skin is burned, Ioban dressing will not adhere to burnt skin. Use a traditional Bogotá bag or 3 L NS IV bag sewn to the skin (keep loose).
- e. Recommendations for escharotomy / fasciotomy
  - 1) The requirement for escharotomy or fasciotomy usually presents in the first few hours following injury. If the need for either procedure has not presented in the first 24 hours, then circulation is likely to remain adequate without surgical intervention. For this reason, it would be unusual for a patient to require a new escharotomy or fasciotomy by the time of arrival at an Level IV facility.
  - 2) More likely, a patient with previous escharotomy or fasciotomy performed in the field might require extension of the incision or placement of a second incision on the other side of an extremity to restore circulation. This can occur if significant volumes of intravenous fluid are given in transit between the time of initial escharotomy and patient arrival at a rear medical facility.
  - 3) On arrival, assess distal circulation of all extremities by palpating the radial, dorsalis pedis and posterior tibial arteries. If a pulse is palpable in one or more arteries in each extremity, neither escharotomy nor fasciotomy are indicated, and serial assessments are appropriate. Elevate injured extremities 30-45°. Use Doppler ultrasound to assess distal circulation in the absence of palpable pulses. Absent Doppler signals or pulses that are diminishing on serial exam 30 minutes to one hour apart should prompt consideration of escharotomy.
  - 4) Escharotomy is normally performed when an extremity has a circumferential full thickness burn. If the burn is superficial or not circumferential and pulses are absent, consider inadequate circulation from other causes such as hypovolemia, hypotension, or occult

- traumatic injury.
- 5) Extend escharotomy incisions the entire length of the full-thickness burn and carry across the joint when the burn extends across the joint. In the lower extremity, make a mid lateral or mid axial incision with a knife or electrocautery through the dermis to the level of fat. It is not necessary to carry the incision to the level of fascia. Although full-thickness burn is insensate, the patient will often require intravenous narcotics and benzodiazepines during this procedure. Given morphine 2-5 mg IV and midazolam 1-2 mg IV at 5-10 minute intervals as needed. On completion of midlateral or midmedial escharotomy, reassess the pulses. If circulation is restored, bleeding should be controlled with electrocautery and the extremity dressed and elevated at a 30-45° angle. Assess pulses hourly for at least 12-24 hours. If circulation is not restored, perform a second incision on the opposite side of the extremity.
- 6) For upper extremities, place the hand in the anatomic position (palm facing forward) and make an incision in the midradial or mid ulnar line. Ulnar incisions should stay anterior (volar) of the elbow joint to avoid the ulnar nerve, which is superficial at the elbow. If pulses are not restored, a second incision may be necessary on the opposite side of the extremity. If both the hand and arm are burned, continue the incision across the mid ulnar or midradial wrist and onto the mid ulnar side of the hand or to the base of the thumb and then the thumb webspace.
- 7) Finger escharotomies are controversial. Before performing finger escharotomies, consider that there is little other than bone and tendon in the fingers and that fingers burned badly enough to require escharotomy frequently end up as amputations. If finger escharotomies are performed, avoid functional surfaces (radial surface of the index and ulnar surface of the little finger). Place the fingers in a clenched position and note the finger creases at DIP and PIP joints. Escharotomy incisions should be just dorsal to a line drawn between the tops of these creases.
- 8) If bilateral extremity incisions do not restore circulation, re-evaluate the adequacy of the patient's overall circulation. A well-resuscitated adult burn patient should have a clear sensorium, a heart rate in the range of 110-130 beats per minute, and a UOP of 30 mL/hr or more.
- 9) In unusual cases, following escharotomy, fasciotomy may be necessary to restore circulation. This is more common in electrical injuries and in crush or other traumatic injuries. Leg fasciotomies should release all four compartments. Forearm fasciotomies should decompress all three compartments. The dorsal compartment may be accessed via a 3 inch longitudinal mid dorsal forearm incision. Dissect to the fascia, enter the fascia and then slide a Metzenbaum scissor distal to the level of the wrist and proximal to the upper forearm. The volar compartment is approached via a lazy-S curved incision from the

elbow to wrist. Avoid straight incisions on the volar surface as these may lead to later contractures. Also use the volar incision to access the mobile compartment, which is the fascia overlying the brachioradialis muscle. If escharotomies have already been performed, it may be possible to access the dorsal, volar, and mobile compartments by dissection between the dermis and fascia from the escharotomy site to the desired areas. Circulation should not be compromised by a desire to avoid additional incisions; however, as the burned tissue will later be excised during burn surgery. When performing an arm fasciotomy, some hand surgeons prefer to also decompress the median nerve at the carpal tunnel and/or the ulnar nerve at the Canal of Guyon.

10) Following escharotomy or fasciotomy, late bleeding may occur as pressure is decompressed and circulation restored. Examine the surgical site every few minutes for up to 30 minutes for signs of new bleeding, which is usually easily controlled with electrocautery.

Table 1. US Burn Mortality in American Burn Association Verified Burn Centers.

Age Group	0.1-9.9	10-19.9	20-29.9	30-39.9	40-49.9	50-59.9	60-69.9	70-79.9	80-89.9	≥90	Total
birth - 1.9	0.0%	0.2%	2.1%	4.5%	6.6%	10.9%	50.0%	42.1%	73.3%	60.0%	0.7%
Died/Total	1/6655	3/1926	8/389	7/157	5/76	5/46	12/24	8/19	11/15	3/5	63/9312
2 - 4.9	0.2%	0.1%	3.2%	5.7%	7.9%	12.5%	22.6%	31.3%	54.5%	76.2%	1.6%
Died/Total	7/3449	1/1086	11/341	9/159	6/76	6/48	7/31	10/32	12/22	16/21	85/5265
5 - 19.9	0.1%	0.2%	1.2%	3.3%	9.3%	9.9%	18.3%	30.9%	39.3%	55.9%	1.5%
Died/Total	11/7346	4/2441	10/838	13/400	20/216	15/151	19/104	21/68	24/61	38/68	175/11693
20 - 29.9	0.2%	0.8%	2.2%	3.7%	11.3%	17.0%	31.5%	42.3%	62.7%	77.6%	2.4%
Died/Total	11/5998	16/2065	16/720	12/324	24/212	23/135	28/89	22/52	32/51	52/67	236/9713
30 - 39.9	0.3%	0.7%	4.3%	7.7%	14.2%	26.5%	37.9%	52.7%	66.7%	82.9%	3.4%
Died/Total	18/6346	15/2287	35/811	33/426	33/233	41/155	36/95	49/93	46/69	58/70	364/10585
40 - 49.9	0.6%	1.4%	5.6%	14.9%	27.4%	36.6%	42.9%	58.8%	76.5%	85.5%	4.9%
Died/Total	31/5635	28/1957	41/738	55/368	61/223	53/145	45/105	40/68	39/51	65/76	458/9366
50 - 59.9	1.1%	3.0%	9.8%	22.7%	38.7%	56.3%	69.6%	81.6%	78.0%	84.4%	8.0%
Died/Total	36/3378	36/1198	50/510	58/255	55/142	63/112	39/56	40/49	32/41	54/64	463/5805
60 - 69.9	2.5%	8.6%	17.5%	36.0%	65.9%	72.4%	71.0%	88.6%	87.5%	76.1%	12.8%
Died/Total	45/1835	67/776	64/366	50/139	56/85	42/58	22/31	31/35	21/24	35/46	433/3395
≥70	7.2%	25.5%	52.7%	69.6%	80.1%	95.6%	94.6%	87.1%	91.9%	91.5%	27.6%
Died/Total	170/2348	281/1101	207/393	179/257	109/136	109/114	70/74	61/70	34/37	43/47	1263/4577
Total	0.8%	3.0%	8.7%	16.7%	26.4%	37.0%	45.6%	58.0%	67.7%	78.4%	5.1%
Died/Total	330/42990	451/14837	442/5106	416/2485	369/1399	357/964	278/609	282/486	251/371	364/464	3540/69711

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2. Diagnosis:	0
3. Condition: VSI SI NSI Category: Nation/	Service (e.g., US/USA, HN/IA)
4. Allergies: Unknown NKDA Other:	
5. Monitoring	
5.1 Vital signs: Q hrs	
5.2 Urine output: Q hrs	
5.3 Transduce bladder pressure Q hrs 5.4 Neurovascular/Doppler pulse checks Q hrs	
5.5 Transduce: CVP A-line Ventricul	ostomy
5.6 Neuro checks: Q hrs	55151119
5.7 Cardiac monitor: Yes / No	
6. Activity	
6.1 Bedrest Chair Q shift Ad lib	Roll Q 2 hrs
6.2 Passive ROM to UE and LE Q shift	<del>-</del>
6.3 Spine precautions: C-Collar/C-Spine T	LS spine
7. Wound Care	
7.1 NS wet to dry BID to:	
7.2 Dakin's wet to dry BID to:	
7.3 VAC dressing to: 75 mm Hg 125	
7.4 Abdominal closure drains to LWS	
7.5 Other:	
8. Tubes/Drains	
8.1 NGT to LCWS or OGT to LCWS	
8.2 Place DHT Nasal Oral and con	firm via KUB
8.3 Foley to gravity	
8.4 Flush feeding tube Q shift with 30 mL water	DDN
8.5 JP(s) to bulb suction; strip tubing Q 4 hrs and	e: R L Both) or Water seal (circle: R L Both)
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9. Nursing				
9.1 Strict I & O and document on the JTTS Burn Resus	scitation Flow Sh	eet Q 1hr for	burns > 20% -	ΓBSA
9.2 Clear dressing to Art Line/CVC, change Q 7D	and prn			
9.3 Bair Hugger until temperature > 36° C				
9.4 Lacrilube OU Q 6hrs while sedated				
9.5 Oral care Q 4hrs; with toothbrush Q 12 hrs				
9.6 Maintain HOB elevated 45°				
9.7 Fingerstick glucose Q hrs				
9.8 Routine ostomy care				
9.9 Ext fix pin site care				
9.10 Trach site care Q shift				
9.11 Incentive spirometry Q 1 hr while awake; cou	igh & deep breat	th Q 1 hr while	e awake	
10. Diet				
10.1 NPO				
10.2 PO Diet:				
10.3 TPN per Nutrition orders				
10.4 Tube Feeding:	@ ml	L/hr OR	Advance per	protocol
11. Burn Resuscitation (%TBSA > 20%)				
11.1 Post Burn 1-8 hrs: LR at mL/hr IV (0.13 ml 11.2 Post Burn 8-24 hrs: LR at mL/hr IV (0.06 nl	nL x Wt in kg x %	%TBSA)		
11.3 Titrate resuscitation IVF as follows to maintain tar	get UOP (Adult:	35-50 mL/hr;	Children: 1.0	mL/kg/hr)
<ul> <li>Decrease rate of LR by 20% if UOP is greater</li> </ul>	than 50 mL/hr f	or 2 consecut	ive hrs	
<ul> <li>Increase rate of LR by 20% if UOP is less that</li> </ul>	•		•	
11.4 If CVP > 10 cm H <sub>2</sub> O and patient still hypotensive	(SBP < 90 mm F	lg), begin vas	opressin gtt at	0.02 – 0.04 Units/mir
11.5 Post burn day #2 (Check all that apply)				
Continue LR at mL/hr IV				
Begin at				
Start Albumin 5% at mL/hr IV ((0.3	– 0.5 x %TBSA	x wt in kg) /	24) for 24 hrs	
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<b>12. IVF (% TBSA ≤ 20%)</b> : LR NS D5N	S D5LR D5 .45NS + KCl 20 meq/L @ mL/hr
13. Laboratory Studies & Radiology	
13.1 CBC, Chem-7, Ca/Mg/Phos: ON ADI	MIT DAILY @ 0300
13.2 PT/INR TEG Lactate:	
13.3 LFTs Amylase Lipase:	
13.4 ABG: ON ADMIT 30 mins a	after ventilator change Q AM (while on ventilator)
13.5 Triglyceride levels after 48 hours on Propofo	ol
13.6 Portable AP CXR on admission	
13.7 Portable AP CXR Q AM	
14. Prophylaxis	
14.1 Protonix 40 mg IV Q day	
14.2 Lovenox 30 mg SQ BID OR Heparin	5000 U SQ BID starting
14.3 Pneumatic compression boots	
15. Ventilator Settings	
15.1 Mode: SIMV CMVAC	CPAP
15.2 FiO <sub>2</sub> : %	
15.3 Rate:	
15.4 Tidal Volume: cc	
15.5 PEEP:	
15.6 Pressure Support:	
15.7 Insp Pressure:	
15.8 I/E Ratio:	
15.9 APRV: Phi Plow Thi	Tlow FiO <sub>2</sub> : %
15.10 Maintain patient in soft restraints while on v	ventilator
15.11 Wean $FiO_2$ to keep $SpO_2 > 92\%$ or $PaO_2 >$	70 mm Hg
15.12 Nebulizer/MDIs: Albuterol At	rovent Xopenex Unit Dose Q 4 hrs
Physician Signature	Date/Time
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PATIENT IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries note: Name – last, first, middle initial; grade; DOB; hospital or	Nursing Unit Room No. Bed No. Page No.
medical facility)	Complete the following information on page 1 of provided orders only. Note any changes on subsequent pages.
	Diagnosis:
	Allergies and reaction:
	Height:
	Weight (Kg):
	Diet:

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#### BURN PATIENT ADMISSION ORDERS (Page 4 of 5)

16. Analgesia/Sedation/PRN Medications	
16.1 Propofol gtt at mcg/kg/min, titrate up to	80 mcg/kg/min for SAS 3-4.
16.2 Versed gtt at mg/hr, titrate up to 10 mg agitation or burn wound care.	/hr for SAS 3-4; may give 2-5 mg IVP Q 15 minutes for acute
16.3 Ativan gtt at mg/hr, titrate up to 15 mg/l agitation.	hr for SAS 3-4; may give 1-4 mg IVP Q 2-4 hours for acute
16.4 Fentanyl gtt at mcg/kg/hr, titrate up to 2 minutes for acute pain or burn wound care.	250 mcg/kg/hr; for analgesia may give 25-100 mcg IVP Q 15
16.5 Morphine gtt at mg/hr, titrate up to 10 n or burn wound care	ng/hr, for analgesia may give 2-10 mg IVP Q 15 minutes for pain
indicated, start medications at ½ of previous dose 16.7 Morphine 1-5 mg IV Q 15 minutes prn pain	
16.8 Fentanyl 25-100 mcg IV Q 15 minutes prn pa 16.9 Ativan 1-5 mg IV Q 2-4 hrs prn agitation 16.10 Percocet 1-2 tablets po Q 4 hrs prn pain	ain
16.11 Motrin 800 mg po TID prn pain 16.12 Toradol 30 mg IV loading dose, then 15 mg 16.13 Tylenol mg / Gm PO / NGT / PR Q _ 16.14 Morphine PCA: Program (circle one): 1	
16.15 Zofran 4-8 mg IVP Q 4 hrs PRN for nausea	a/vomiting
17. Specific Burn Wound Care	oupailo.
<ul> <li>17.1 Cleanse and debride facial burn wounds with Steri washcloth or 4x4s to remove drainage/eschar</li> <li>17.2 Cleanse and debride trunk and extremities with ch</li> </ul>	lorhexidine gluconate 4% solution (Hibiclens) and Sterile Water o
Normal Saline, before prescribed dressing change 17.3 Change fasciotomy dressings and outer gauze dre and as needed to keep damp, not soaking wet	essings daily and as needed; moisten with sterile water Q 6 hours
Physician Signature	Date/Time
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	Allergies and reaction:
	Height:
	Weight (Kg):

Diet:

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BURN PATIENT ADMISSION ORDERS (Page 5 of 5)

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17. Specific Burn Wound Care (continued) Face & Ears Bacitracin ointment BID & PRN Sulfamylon cream to ears BID & PRN 5% Sulfamylon solution dressing changes Q AM & wet downs Q 6 hrs Bacitracin ophth ointment: apply OU Q 6 hrs BUEs & Hands, BLEs, Chest, Abdomen & Perineum Silvadine cream Q AM & PRN (deep partial & full thickness) \_ Sulfamylon cream Q PM & PRN (deep partial & full thickness) 5% Sulfamylon solution - change Q AM & wet downs Q 6 hrs (superficial partial thickness, perineal burn wounds, or Pt O/C to OR/AE) Silverlon dressing & Sterile Water wet downs Q 6 hrs (apply dressing and DO NOT remove for 72 7 hrs) **Back** Silvadine cream Q AM & PRN (deep partial & full thickness) \_ Sulfamylon cream Q PM & PRN (deep partial & full thickness) 5% Sulfamylon powder dressing changes Q AM & wet downs Q 6 hrs (superficial partial thickness, Pt O/C to OR/AE) Anterior Posterior 18. Other Orders 18.1 \_\_\_\_\_ 18.2 \_\_\_\_\_ 18.3 **19. Notifiy Physician if:** SBP < \_\_\_\_\_\_, MAP < \_\_\_\_\_, HR < \_\_\_\_\_,  $SaO_2 <$  \_\_\_\_\_, % , T > \_\_\_\_\_,  $\overline{UOP} < 30$  mL for 2 consecutive hours Physician Signature \_ Date/Time MEDCOM FORM 688-RB (TEST) (MCHO) JUL 07 PREVIOUS EDITIONS ARE OBSOLETE MC V2.00 PATIENT IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries Nursing Unit Room No. Bed No. Page No. note: Name - last, first, middle initial; grade; DOB; hospital or medical facility) Complete the following information on page 1 of provided orders only. Note any changes on subsequent pages. Diagnosis: Allergies and reaction: Height: Weight (Kg): Diet:

Total Fluids:

23rd

24th

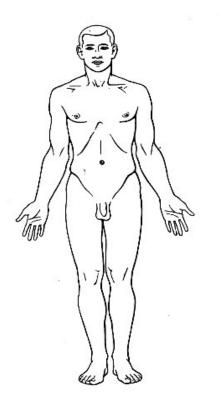
			- [			Pre-burn est.		Fluid v	LY received	
Name			SSN		wt (kg)	% TBSA	1st 8 hrs	2nd 16 hrs	24 hr Total	
Date & T	ime of In	jury						BAMC/ISR	Burn Team DSN	312-429-2876
Tx Site/ Team	<b>Hr</b> from burn	Local Time	Crystallo	id Colloid	TOTAL	UOP	Base Deficit	ВР	MAP (>55) CVP	Pressors (Vasopressin 0.02-0.0u/min)
	25th									
	26th									
	27th									
	28th									
	29th									
	30th									
	31st									
	32nd									
	33rd									
	34th									
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	46th									
	47th									
	48th									
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Date:			_			Pre-burn est.		LLY received		
Name			SSN			wt (kg)	% TBSA	1st 24 hrs	2nd 24 hrs	48 hr Total
Date & 1	ime of In	jury						BAMC/ISR	Burn Team DSN	312-429-2876
Tx Site/ Team	Hr from Local Crystalloi			Colloid	TOTAL	UOP	Base Deficit	ВР	MAP (>55) CVP	Pressors (Vasopressin 0.02-0.0
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	70th			$\overline{}$						
	71st			$\overline{}$						
	72nd									
	Total Flu	uido				1	l			<u> </u>

# **BURN ESTIMATE AND DIAGRAM**

T A							
Total Area							
front/back		one side	one side				
(circumferential)		anterior	posterior				
	Adult	adult	adult	1st	2nd	3rd	TBSA
Head	7	3.5	3.5				0
Neck	2	1	1				0
Anterior trunk*	13	13	0				0
Posterior trunk*	13	0	13				0
Right buttock	2.5	na	2.5				0
Left buttock	2.5	na	2.5				0
Genitalia	1	1	na				0
Right upper arm	4	2	2				0
Left upper arm	4	2	2				0
Right lower arm	3	1.5	1.5				0
Left lower arm	3	1.5	1.5				0
Right hand	2.5	1.25	1.25				0
Left hand	2.5	1.25	1.25				0
Right thigh	9.5	4.75	4.75				0
Left thigh	9.5	4.75	4.75				0
Right leg	7	3.5	3.5				0
Left leg	7	3.5	3.5				0
Right foot	3.5	1.75	1.75				0
Left foot	3.5	1.75	1.75				0
	100	48	52	0	0	0	0

Age:	
Sex:	
Weight:	



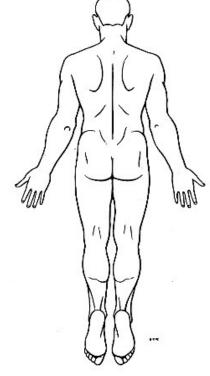
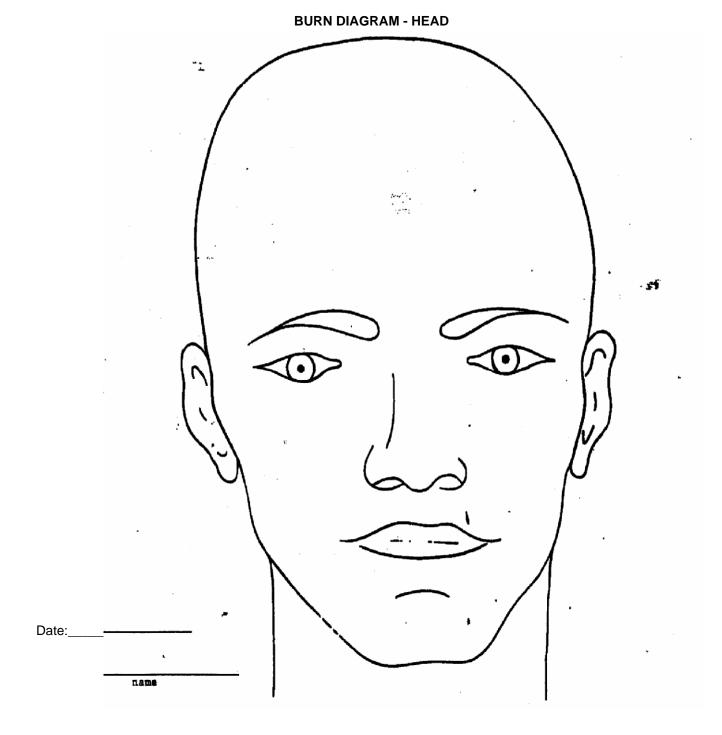
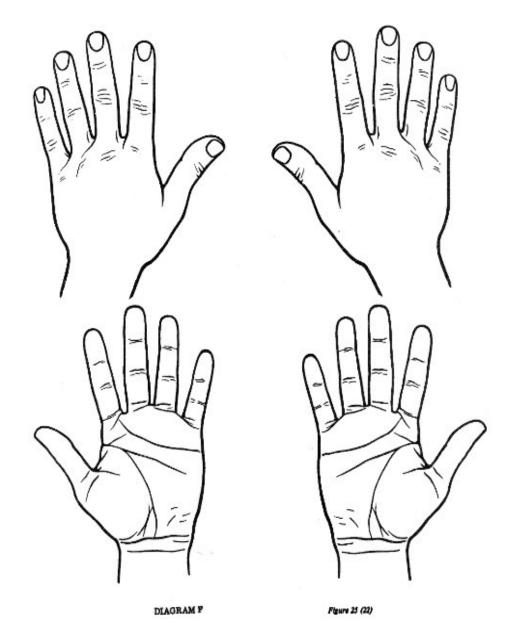


DIAGRAM A

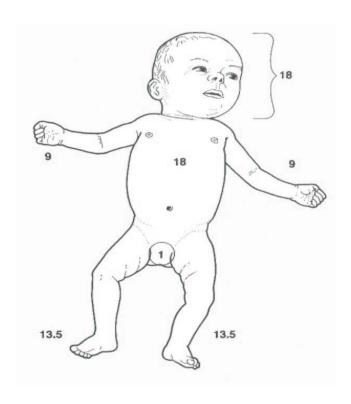
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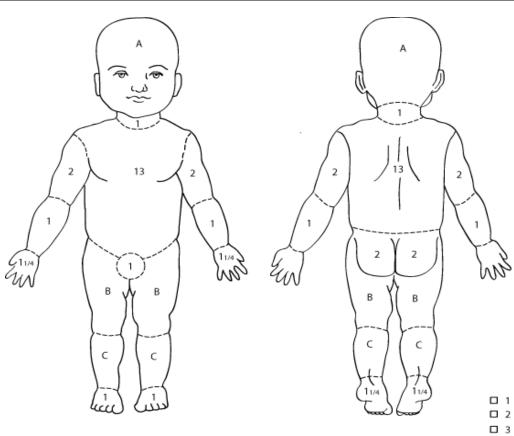
# **BABY BURN ESTIMATE AND DIAGRAM**

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Total Area					
front/back	Birth to1				
(circumferenti	year	1st	2nd	3rd	TBSA
Head	19				0
Neck	2				0
Anterior trunk*	13				0
Posterior trunk	13				0
Right buttock	2.5				0
Left buttock	2.5				0
Genitalia	1				0
Right upper an	4				0
Left upper arm	4				0
Right lower arr	3				0
Left lower arm	3				0
Right hand	2.5				0
Left hand	2.5				0
Right thigh	5.5				0
Left thigh	5.5				0
Right leg	5				0
Left leg	5				0
Right foot	3.5				0
Left foot	3.5				0



# CHILD BURN ESTIMATE AND DIAGRAM

Total Area								
front/back	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to14	15				
(circumferential)	years	years	years	years	1st	2nd	3rd	TBSA
Head	17	13	11	9				0
Neck	2	2	2	2				0
Anterior trunk*	13	13	13	13				0
Posterior trunk*	13	13	13	13				0
Right buttock	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5				0
Left buttock	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5				0
Genitalia	1	1	1	1				0
Right upper arm	4	4	4	4				0
Left upper arm	4	4	4	4				0
Right lower arm	3	3	3	3				0
Left lower arm	3	3	3	3				0
Right hand	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5				0
Left hand	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5				0
Right thigh	6.5	8	8.5	9				0
Left thigh	6.5	8	8.5	9				0
Right leg	5	5.5	6	6.5				0
Left leg	5	5.5	6	6.5				0
Right foot	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5				0
Left foot	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5				0



## **JTTS Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet Protocol**

Purpose: The JTTS Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet provides clinicians with a tool to track burn resuscitation over a 72-hour period. Conceptually, the flow sheet creates a continuum between clinicians during the resuscitation phase. This format allows clinicians to accurately trend intake and output, hemodynamics and vasoactive medications, and promotes optimal outcomes through precise patient management.

- I. The clinicians at the first medical facility where the patient receives treatment will initiate the JTTS Burn Resuscitation Flow Sheet. This treatment facility will be listed in the "Initial Treatment Facility" block. Clinicians at any level of care may initiate the flow sheet.
- II. Record today's date in the "Date" block according to the current date where the recorder is located (do not adjust this date based on the patient's origin or destination; use the local date).
- III. Record the patient's full name and social security number in the "Name" and "SSN" blocks. Document name and SSN on all three pages of the flow sheet.
- IV. Record the patient's weight in the "Pre-burn est. wt (kg)" block. In theater, record the estimated weight based on the patient's weight prior to injury or "dry weight." If a patient presents prior to initiating resuscitation and an accurate weight can be easily obtained without delaying care, providers are urged to weigh the patient and record the result.
- V. Record the total body surface area burned in the "% TBSA" block. Clinicians will assess the burn size and use this value to determine fluid resuscitation requirements. Following the patient's transfer to another facility, the receiving clinicians are required to "re-map" the burn, considering that burn wound may "convert" between assessments at one facility or during transport between two facilities.
- VI. Burn Fluid Resuscitation Calculations: Use the ABLS guidelines to determine fluid requirements for the first 24 hours post-burn. At 8-12 hours post-burn, reevaluate resuscitation efforts and recalculate fluid resuscitation needs. If fluid resuscitation needs exceed ABLS formula calculations, consider the guidelines established in the <a href="Emergency War Surgery">Emergency War Surgery</a> Handbook and the addendum to the handbook, "Recommendations for Level IV Burn Care."
  [LRMC specific: USAISR/BAMC Burn Unit Guidelines can also be found in the <a href="LRMC Burn Care Guide">LRMC Burn Care Guide</a>]
  - a. Clinicians at the first medical facility to treat the patient will calculate the fluid requirements for the first 24 hours post-burn and record the amount in the block on page 1 labeled "Estimated fluid vol. pt should receive."
  - b. Clinicians will record the "fluid volume ACTUALLY received" during the first 24 hours of resuscitation in the block labeled as such at the top of page 2. This amount will equal the actual volume delivered during the first 24 hours (as recorded on page 1).
  - c. Clinicians will transcribe the 24-hour fluid volume totals recorded on pages 1 and 2 of the flow sheet onto page 3 in the block labeled "fluid volume ACTUALLY

- received." This allows clinicians to see the first 48-hour totals as the patient enters into the last 24 hours of the 72-hour period.
- VII. Record the local date and time that the patient was injured in the "Date & Time of Injury" block. This date and time IS NOT the time that the patient arrived at the medical facility, but rather the date and time of INJURY.
- VIII. Record the facility name and/or treatment team in the "Tx Site/Team") block. The facility name/team name is the team of clinicians who managed the patient during each specified hour on the flow sheet. This team may reside within a facility, in which case the facility name is recorded, or be a transport team (e.g., Medevac, CCATT, Aerovac).
- IX. "Hr from burn" is defined as the number of hours after the burn injury occurred. If a patient does not arrive at a medical facility until 3 hours after the burn occurred, clinicians do not record hourly values for hours 1-3 but begin recording in the row marked "4<sup>th</sup>" hour post-burn. To the extent possible, clinicians should confer with level I and II clinicians to determine fluid intake and urine output. These totals may be recorded in the 3<sup>rd</sup> hour row.
- X. Record the current local time of the recorder in the "Local Time" block, be it Baghdad Time, Berlin Time, ZULU, or CST. As with date, do not adjust this time based on the patient's origin or destination; use the local time.
- XI. Record the total volume of crystalloids and colloids administered in the "crystalloid/colloid" column, not the specific fluids delivered. Clinicians should refer to the critical care flow sheet to determine the fluids types and volumes. This burn flow sheet is designed to track total volumes. Examples of crystalloid solutions are LR, 0.45% NS, 0.9% NS, D5W, and D5LR. Examples of colloids are Albumin (5% or 25%), blood products, and other volume expanders such as dextran, hespan, or hextend.
- XII. Document the name, dosage, and rate of vasoactive agents in the "Pressors" block. Patients who receive vasoactive agents may also have invasive pressure monitoring devices (e.g., arterial line, central venous line, pulmonary artery catheter), in which case significant values should be recorded in the "BP" and "MAP (>55)/CVP" columns.
- XIII. For additional burn resuscitation guidelines refer to the <u>Emergency War Surgery</u> Handbook and the "Recommendations for Level IV Burn Care."

## **Burn Flow Sheet Documentation**

			JTTS	Burn Res	uscitation		Page 1		
Date:	: [1] Initial Treatm				ment Facility: [2]			1	
Name				SSN	Pre-burn est. wt (kg)	% TBSA		fluid vol. pt sl 2nd 16th hrs	ould receive Est. Total 24 hrs
	[3]			[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]
Date & Time of Injury							BAMC/ISR E	Burn Team DSN 3	12-429-2876

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Tx Site/ Team	HR from	Local Time	Crystalloid (ml) Collo	TOTAL	UOF	Base Deficit	BP	MAP (>55)	CVP	Pressors (Vasopressin 0.02-0.04
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	3rd			1				/		
	4th			1				/		
	5th			1				/		
	6th			1				/		
	7th			1				/		
	8th			1				/		
	9th			1				/		
	10th			1					,	
	11th			1					,	
	12th									
	Total	Fluids	1st 12 hrs	[21]						
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	14th									
	15th							/	,	
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	24th			+				<del>                                     </del>		
			[2	2]						
	Total F	luids:	[2	<u> </u>						

Pre-burn Est.		Fluid Volume ACTUALLY received				
Wt (kg)	%TBSA	1st 8 hrs	2nd 16th hrs	24 hr Total		
		[a]	[b]	[c]		

Page 2 (24-48 hrs)

The guidelines for page 2 remain the same as for page 1, with the exception of the calculation table. On page 2, the values in [a] and [c] are the **actual** volumes delivered and recorded from page 1, blocks 21 & 22. [b] is the **actual** volume delivered from the 9<sup>th</sup> hour through the 24<sup>th</sup> hour. These values allow caregivers to re-calculate the mL/kg/% TBSA, and evaluate for over-resuscitation

[1] Date: Today's date

[2] Initial Treatment Facility: Where this form is initiated

[3] **Name**: Patient's name

[4] SSN: Patient's social security number

[5] Weight (Kg): Estimated weight PRE-BURN "dry weight"

[6] % TBSA: Total body surface area burned

[7] **1<sup>st</sup> 8 Hrs**: ½ total calculated fluids per burn resuscitation formula (ABLS), given over 1<sup>st</sup> 8 hrs post-burn

[8] **2<sup>nd</sup> 16 Hrs**: Remaining ½ of the calculated fluids over the next 16 hrs

[9] **Estimated Total Fluids**: Total fluids <u>calculated</u> for the first 24 hrs post-burn injury

[10] **Time of Injury**: Time the patient burned, **NOT** the time patient arrived at the facility

[11] **Treatment (Tx) Site/Team**: Facility, CCATT or care team providing care at specified hour

[12] **Hour From Burn**: "1st" hour is the first hour post burn. <u>For example</u>: pt arrives @ facility 3 hrs post-burn. Clinicians will start their charting for the "4<sup>th</sup>" hour. Enter IVF & UOP totals from level I & II care, prior to arrival at the current facility, in the "3<sup>rd</sup>" hour row.

[13] **Local Time**: Current time being used by recorder

[14a] **Crystalloid** (**mL**): Total crystalloid volume given over last hour (LR, NS, etc.)

[14b] **Colloid (mL)**: Total colloid volume given over the last hour (Albumin 5%-25%, blood products, Hespan, etc.) **Note when using Albumin**: With large resuscitations, start 5% Albumin at the 12 hour mark; with normal resuscitations, start at the 24 hour mark.

[15] **Total**: Total volume (crystalloid + colloid) for the <u>hour</u>

[16] **UOP**: Urine output for last hour

[17] **Base Deficit**: enter lab value, if avail. (indicates acidemia)

[18] **BP**: Systolic BP / Diastolic BP

[19] MAP/CVP: MAP and/or CVP if available.

[20] **Pressors**: Vasopressin, Levophed, etc., and rate/dose

[21] 12-hr Total: Total IVF & UOP for 1st 12 hours post-burn

[22] **24-hr Total**: Total IVF & UOP for 1<sup>st</sup> 24 hours post-burn

Pre-burn Est.		Fluid Volume ACTUALLY received					
Wt (kg)	%TBSA	1st 24 hrs	2nd 24 hrs	48 hr Total			
		[d]	[e]	[f]			

Page 3 (48-72 hrs)

The guidelines for page 3 remain the same as for pages 1 & 2, with the exception of the calculation table. On page 3, the values in [d] and [e] are the **actual** 24 hour fluid totals recorded from pages 1 & 2. [f] is the **total** volume delivered over the first 48 hrs ([d] + [e]). Once again, these values allow caregivers to recalculate the mL/kg/% TBSA, and evaluate for over-resuscitation