Burn Referral Guidelines: How to Refer

ASSESS

Burn Injury
- **Date & Time**
- **Affected areas**
- **Cause**
- **Size**
- **Depth**
- **First Aid measures**
- **Other injuries**

Wound
- **Clean wound**
- **Remove all loose non-viable tissue**
- **Refer to Blister Management Guideline**

History
- **Allergies**
- **Medications**
- **Past medical history**
- **Last Meal (time)**
- **Events/Environment related to injury**

Psychosocial
- **Social concerns**
- **Safeguarding concerns**
- **Psychiatric history**
- **Substance misuse history**
- **Next of Kin**

PHOTOGRAPH

- **☑ Remove all dressings and clingfilm**
- **☑ Photograph cleaned burn wounds using digital camera**  
  **Images taken on a mobile phone will not be accepted**
- **☑ Take a photo to show the location of the wound on the body and a close-up of the wound itself**
- **☑ Log on to TRIPS website www.trips.nhs.uk from your Trust PC**
- **☑ Register, if needed using your Trust or nhs.net e-mail**
- **☑ Click on: “Refer a patient”**
- **☑ Select:**
  - **Speciality:** Burns
  - **Area:** by Location of referring team
  - **Referring Hospital:** by Town
- **☑ Complete TRIPS referral form**
- **☑ Attach photographs and send to local Burn Service**

REFER

- Refer patient by calling the **local Burn Service**
- All burn injuries that fall within the **Burn Referral Criteria** should be discussed with the **local Burn Service**
- Telephone support and advice on initial care of any patient with a burn injury is available at all times

TRIPS Referral is available to all clinicians across the NHS
LSEBN Referral and Initial Management guidelines are available via TRIPS Help & Information on www.trips.nhs.uk

**CONTACT DETAILS**

- **St Andrews Burns Service**
  - Broomfield Hospital (Chelmsford)
  - Adults/Children **01245 516037**

- **Chelsea & Westminster Hospital (London)**
  - Adults **02033152500**
  - Children **02033153706**

- **Queen Victoria Hospital (East Grinstead)**
  - Adults **01342 414440**
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- **Stoke Mandeville Hospital (Aylesbury)**
  - Adults and Children **01296 315040**

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