



# Too Hot for Tots!

Early Childhood Burn Prevention Program - Ages 0-5 Years



IT ONLY TAKES A SECOND TO CHANGE A LIFE FOREVER

## KEY FACTS ABOUT CHILDHOOD BURNS IN CANADA:

**0-4** 

IN CANADA, FIRE AND BURN RELATED INJURIES ARE THE 3<sup>RD</sup> LEADING CAUSE OF INJURY-RELATED HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS FOR CHILDREN 0-4 YEARS OF AGE.<sup>1</sup>

**1000+** 

CHILDREN ARE ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL EACH YEAR WITH BURNS AND SCALDS, WHILE THOUSANDS MORE ARE TREATED AS OUTPATIENTS.<sup>2</sup>



CHILDREN WHO ARE BURNED REQUIRE MORE MEDICAL CARE THAN ANY OTHER CHILDHOOD INJURY.<sup>3</sup>

**\$17,200**

HOSPITAL COST TO TREAT A TYPICAL CHILDHOOD SCALD.<sup>4</sup>



**70%**

OF CANADIAN PARENTS DON'T KNOW SCALDS FROM HOT DRINKS AND HOT TAP WATER ARE THE CAUSE OF MOST BURNS TO YOUNG CHILDREN.<sup>5</sup>



MOST PEDIATRIC SCALDS OCCUR IN THE HOME FROM HOT DRINKS AND HOT FOOD.<sup>6</sup>



ADULTS WHO SUFFER BURNS AS CHILDREN HAVE MUCH HIGHER RATES OF MENTAL AND PHYSICAL ILLNESS.<sup>7</sup>

## COMMON CAUSES OF CHILDHOOD BURNS:



A HOT DRINK, THAT IS COMFORTABLE TO DRINK, CAN CAUSE A SERIOUS SCALD TO A CHILD IN 10 SEC.<sup>8,9</sup>



HOT TAP WATER AT 60°C (140°F), THE TYPICAL FACTORY SETTING FOR HOT WATER TANKS, WILL CAUSE A SERIOUS BURN IN LESS THAN A SECOND.<sup>10</sup>



GLASS FRONTED FIREPLACES HEAT UP TO 200°C (400°F) IN 6 MINUTES AND TAKE 45 MINUTES TO COOL TO A SAFE TEMPERATURE. AT THIS TEMPERATURE, A SERIOUS BURN WILL HAPPEN ON CONTACT.<sup>11</sup>

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