

American Burn Association Triage Decision Table of Benefit-to-Resource Ratio of Patient Age & Total Burn Size

Age/ years	Burn Size (%TBSA)									
	0 – 10%	11-20%	21-30%	31-40%	41-50%	51-60%	61-70%	71-80%	81-90%	91+%
0-1.99	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Expectant
2-4.99	Outpatient	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low
5-19.9		High	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low
20-29.9		High	High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low
30-39.9		High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low
40-49.9		High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low
50-59.9		High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Expectant	Expectant
60-69.9		High	High	Medium	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Expectant
70+	High	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Expectant	Expectant	Expectant	Expectant	Expectant

Outpatient: Survival and good outcome expected without requiring initial admission.

High Benefit-Resource: Survival and good outcome expected (survival greater than / equal to 90%) with limited / short term initial admission and resource allocation (LOS less than or equal to 14 days, 1-2 surgical procedures).

Medium Benefit-Resource: Survival and good outcome likely (survival greater than 50%) with aggressive care and comprehensive resource allocation, including initial admission (greater than / equal to 14 days), resuscitation, multiple surgeries.

Low Benefit-Resource: Survival and good outcome less than 50% even with long-term, aggressive treatment and resource ratio allocation.

Expectant: Survival less than 10% even with unlimited, aggressive treatment.