



## Eastern Regional Burn Disaster Consortium

*Burn Centers from the following states are among the members of this Consortium:*

- Connecticut
- District of Columbia
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- New Jersey
- New York
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- Vermont

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## Important Phone Numbers

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## Responding to a Burn Mass Casualty



## Are we prepared



■ ■ The Burn Center  
■ ■ at Saint Barnabas  
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## What are the risks?

Experts in the field of burn care estimate that between 20% and 30% of the total number of patients injured in a mass casualty incident will result in serious burns, many requiring specialized care **only** available at a designated burn treatment facility.

While there are hundreds of trauma centers located throughout the United States, the number of specialized burn centers is rapidly declining. Nationwide there are less than 1,850 dedicated burn beds available to provide state-of-the-art care critical to recovery from such devastating injuries.

***How will all these patients be cared for?***

***Who will provide that care?***



Early patient triage, following new burn MCI guidelines is critical.

## Burn Care in New Jersey

Since 1977 The Burn Center at Saint Barnabas, New Jersey's only designated burn treatment facility, remains committed to providing the very best in comprehensive burn care.



The Burn MCC serves as a communications center for burn disaster response in NJ.

Located in Livingston, this 30-bed Center is one of the nation's largest and busiest. However, experience shows that a single large scale incident could quickly overwhelm any burn center's resources.

To address such patient care concerns, The Burn Center at Saint Barnabas has joined with other burn centers from Maine through Washington, DC to form the **Eastern Regional Burn Disaster Consortium**.

A first of its kind in the nation, the Consortium's mission is to ensure burn patients continually receive quality care, despite a disaster, by focusing on four main areas:

- Effective Communication
- Patient Tracking and Transportation
- Resource-sharing
- Education and Training

## Organizing the Chaos

The Burn Center at Saint Barnabas, in partnership with **New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services**, has developed a regional burn response plan, coordinated through state Medical Coordinated Centers (MCCs), including a special Burn MCC situated at Saint Barnabas Health Care System corporate offices in West Orange.

The Burn MCC is equipped with redundant communication technologies designed to "talk" to other MCCs, including various outside state or national agencies, as well as all NJ hospitals and regional Consortium members.

With such capabilities the Burn MCC is able to enhance resource-sharing and facilitate Primary & Secondary Triage and Transport of burn patients during a disaster, in accordance with American Burn Association guidelines.

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