

Psychiatric aspect of burn

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The occurrence of psychiatric disorders (mainly substance and alcohol abuse, suicidal thoughts, schizophrenia, attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD), dementia, and personality disorders) is an important risk factor for burn injuries. Also, most burn patients suffer from psychiatric disorders and there is a strong correlation between severity and duration of injuries and mental illness; especially anxiety, depression, and post traumatic-stress disorder (PTSD). There is a negative factor between psychiatric illness during burn hospitalization or recovery and wellbeing. A burn injury is a traumatic experience for patients, as regards psychological aspects after trauma. It is also important to consider the concepts of accident proneness and impulsivity, which may represent a person's disposed to a traumatic event. These concepts are necessary for psychiatric care.