



UNIVERSITY HEALTH CLINIC HEALTH ADVISORY



WHAT ARE HEAT-RELATED EMERGENCIES?

Heat-related emergencies are heat-induced emergencies which can happen when prolonged exposure to high temperatures affects the body's natural temperature control system. When the body cannot effectively dissipate the excessive heat, its temperature rises, leading to an emergency.

WHO ARE AT RISK?



CHILDREN

ELDERLIES





PWDs

OUTSIDE WORKERS



HOW TO AVOID HEAT-RELATED EMERGENCIES?



Stay hydrated, and avoid sugary drinks



Stay in air conditioned or well-ventilated areas



Wear lightweight and light-colored clothing

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS AND HOW SHOULD I MANAGE IT?

HEAT EXHAUSTION

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Heavy sweating
- Nausea or vomiting
- Paleness
- Fainting
- Dizziness
- · Cool, moist skin

FIRST AID MANAGEMENT

- · Move the patient to a cooler area.
- Spray water on the skin.
- Have them drink an Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS).

HEAT STROKE

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

- Absence of sweating
- Red, hot, dry and flushed skin
- Confusion and disorientation

FIRST AID MANAGEMENT

- · Dial Red Cross 143.
- · Move the paient to a cooler area.
- Spray water on the skin.
- Immerse the patient in circulating water.

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