



## THE DANGERS OF HOT LIQUIDS: HOW TO KEEP CHILDREN SAFE THIS WINTER

There's nothing better than warming up with a hot cup of soup or cider when it gets cold outside. But, hot liquids can cause serious pediatric scald burns, with instant soups accounting for 1 in 5 pediatric scald burns every year.

### HOT LIQUID FACTS:

Nearly  
**75%**   
of all pediatric burns  
**ARE PREVENTABLE.**

**MOST** injuries happen  
to children between  
**4-7 YEARS OLD.**

Injuries include **FIRST-, SECOND-, AND THIRD-DEGREE** burns.



**MOST** burns  
affect  
**THE "TRUNK,"**  
this is from  
the shoulders  
to the groin.

Burns from  
**NOODLES**  
cause longer  
hospital stays  
than burns from  
other types of  
soups because  
noodles stay  
hotter longer.



## WHY CHILDREN GET PEDIATRIC BURNS:



Children pull soup down  
from the microwave  
themselves.



Parents wrongly  
assume that instant  
soups are safer than  
soup coming out of  
a stove.



Uncoordinated  
walking while  
holding soup.



Children spill soup  
while eating.



Children get too close  
to the stove where  
hot steam or hot  
liquids are cooking.



Parents drink hot  
liquids without using  
a lid, and curious  
children grab for  
the drink.



Unsupervised  
children turn on  
the hot water in  
the kitchen or  
bathroom.



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