Fire prevention

A fire can be caused by electric shocks, from a spark, gas leakage, a power outage, or a cigarette butt, among others. Prevention is the most important aspect of safety, considering that much of the fire could have been avoided. Whether at home, school, or in the workplace, it is everyone's responsibility to create safe environments.

Recommendations to prevent a fire

•Never leave a burning candle unattended specially in a place where there is no person to watch or lookout.
•Disconnect electric iron and hair straighteners after use. Place them on non-flammable surfaces isolated from other objects.
•Check that the stove and other electrical appliances are unplugged.
•Ask to an authorized technician to regularly check the electrical installations.
•Do not place lighters or matches within reach of children.
• If it smells like gas, leave the site immediately and ask to an authorized technician to evaluate the gas lines.
•Do not smoke inside the house, not even near beds, chairs, or other flammable objects.
•Do not leave fabrics or rags near the stove.

•Avoid connecting multiple devices of electrical equipment to the same outlet.
•Close the gas valve switch if you are going on vacation.
•Do not use electrical appliances when you are barefoot or if the floors is wet.
•Make sure flammable products such as gasoline, thinner, acetone and alcohol are in the appropriate containers for their use.

If you are in the middle of a fire:

It is important to preserve your life and avoid burns and poisoning as much as possible. If possible, cover your mouth and nose with a damp cloth to breathe through. Crouch or crawl to the nearest door or window. Never use water to extinguish flames. Call 9-1-1 immediately

Social and Emotional Aspect

For recommendations, tools, and resources on how you and your family can manage with the emotional and physical concerns that may arise during and after your medical treatment, please visit your primary care physician or contact the following phone lines:

Medical Advice Line
1-844-347-7801
TTY/TDD 1-844-347-7804
APS Healthcare
787-641-9133

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