

# Western Region Burn Mass Casualty Incident (BMCI) Response Plan

**The American Burn Association (ABA) designated Western Region<sup>1</sup> encompasses Burn Centers located west of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico, including Alaska and Hawaii.**

- **For a BMCI occurring anywhere within the Western region of the United States the Western Region Burn Disaster Consortium serves as a communications and coordination center to support Burn Center(s) with burn bed census and/ or patient triage and transfer**
- **A BMCI is defined as any incident where capacity and capability significantly compromises patient care, as identified in accordance with individual BC(s), state, regional or federal disaster response plans**

## Requesting Assistance from the Western Region Burn Disaster Consortium (WRBDC) for BMCI Response and Coordination

<p>Upon request by a referring BC(s) the WRCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducts a bed census of Western region BCs using the Utah Notification and Information System (UNIS) Burn Provider Group</li> <li>• Supports and assists with regional efforts for patient triage and transfer if requested</li> </ul>	<p>Agencies requesting assistance include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Western Region BCs</li> <li>• Affected ABA BCs</li> <li>• ABA Regional Coordinator(s)</li> <li>• ABA Central Office</li> <li>• Department of Health &amp; Human Services (DHHS) or designee</li> </ul>
<p>To request WRBDC assistance contact:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The University of Utah Burn Center 24/7 line at <b>801-581-2700</b></li> <li>• Burn Medical Coordination Center (BMCC) 24 hour Emergency Hotline at <b>866-364-8824</b></li> </ul>	<p>Upon notification WRBDC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Activates the regional burn disaster plan</li> <li>○ Conducts burn bed census of non-affected Western region burn centers for 02, 12, 24 hour intervals</li> <li>○ Coordinates requests for patient transfer between referring and receiving BC(s)</li> </ul>

### Definitions

1. Western Region (WR) - one of five American Burn Association-designated regions. Refer [www.ameriburn.org](http://www.ameriburn.org) Homepage for a map of all regions.
2. Western Region Burn Disaster Consortium (WRBDC)- a Utah-based consortium of 26 burn centers, 13 of which are verified, who have joined together to support disaster response efforts for one another throughout the Western Region.
3. Western Region Burn Coordination Center (WRBCC)- one of 2 centers located throughout the West with redundant communication technologies to support disaster response efforts for burn centers. These centers are Utah and Colorado.