

**VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER
MULTIDISCIPLINARY BURN CRITICAL CARE**

HYDRO ROOM GUIDELINES FOR THE BURN CENTER

1. Stable adult patients can be sedated with fentanyl/versed by the nursing staff with appropriate physician supervision
2. Patients aged less than 18yrs CANNOT be sedated without prior discussion with the Burn ICU Attending. The Burn ICU Attending will decide in collaboration with the Burn Surgeon the appropriate timing of any necessary sedation procedure.
3. Out of hours the Burn ICU Attending should be called prior to any new admission being taken to the hydro room for any procedure. The Burn ICU Attending and the Burn surgeon will identify the most appropriate course of action for patient's out of hours
4. Ketamine as a bolus CANNOT be used without an Attending present. If the patient is on a ketamine drip and intubated this can be continued in the hydro room, however the drip will not be used for boluses.
5. If there is any potential airway or cardiopulmonary issues, these patients should NOT be sedated and taken to the hydro room without prior discussion with the Burn ICU Attending.
6. Nitrous Oxide is not to be administered by anyone other than a board certified or board eligible Anesthesiologist. The administration of Nitrous Oxide will be guided by the Nitrous Oxide policy.
7. Children less than 2years of age may require the presence of the Pediatric sedation team and this should be discussed with the BICU Attending at the earliest opportunity.