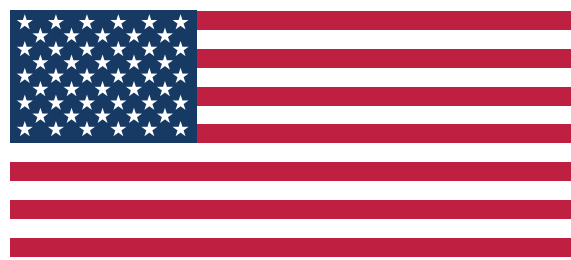


# July 4th Fireworks Injuries



## 2016 Statistics

**27** PATIENTS WERE SEEN FOR FIREWORKS-RELATED INJURIES BETWEEN JULY 2 AND JULY 8.



**7**  
WERE ADMITTED

Ages: **5 months-64 years**  
Average age: **22**



**21**  
MALE



**6**  
FEMALE

### AREA OF INJURY



\*Some patients were injured in multiple areas.

### TYPE OF FIREWORKS



### SAFETY TIPS

- Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Don't pick up fireworks that didn't ignite.
- Never point or throw fireworks at someone.
- Don't go near a firework after it has been lit.
- Keep water or a hose nearby in case of emergency.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket.
- Light fireworks one at a time and move back quickly.



**Tip:** Prepare a fireworks first-aid kit and fill with supplies, such as bandages and pain medicine.

### THE REGION'S ONLY VERIFIED BURN CENTER

The Gene and Barbara Burnett Burn Center at The University of Kansas Health System is the Kansas City region's only adult and pediatric burn care facility verified by the American Burn Association. On average, we see 400 burn patients each year. July is typically our busiest month because of fireworks injuries.

As the region's only comprehensive burn center, we take care of every type of burn, even those that are very severe. We provide care from the moment you come through our doors and throughout your recovery. Learn more at [kansashealthsystem.com/burn](http://kansashealthsystem.com/burn).