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Medical Management Guidelines (MMGs)

What are the Medical Management Guidelines (MMGs) for acute chemical exposures?

The Medical Management Guidelines (MMGs) for Acute Chemical Exposures were developed by ATSDR to aid emergency department physicians and other emergency healthcare professionals who manage acute exposures resulting from chemical incidents. The MMGs are intended to aid healthcare professionals involved in emergency response to effectively decontaminate patients, protect themselves and others from contamination, communicate with other involved personnel, efficiently transport patients to a medical facility, and provide competent medical evaluation and treatment to exposed persons.

The Medical Management Guidelines (MMGs) for Acute Chemical Exposures provide:

- basic chemical and exposure information,
- a summary of potential health effects,
- prehospital management information,
- emergency department management information, and
- information for the patient.


The MMGs comprise Volume III of the three volume ATSDR **Managing Hazardous Material Incidents (MHMI)** series. You may obtain more information about the complete MHMI series, at the [MHMI](#) home page.


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