Hot Weather Safety Tips

Do

- DO drink lots of water and sport drinks.
- DO wear loose fitting, light weight, light colored clothing.
- DO check on elderly people.
- DO use SPF 15 (or higher) sun block and wear a hat.
- DO rest often in shady areas.
- DO go to an air conditioning place; such as a shopping mall during severe heat.
- DO listen to the news and the public announcements for heat advisories.

Don't

- DON'T underestimate the seriousness of heat-related emergencies.
- DON'T leave children or pets unattended in a vehicle.
- DON'T drink alcoholic or caffeinated beverages.
- DON'T stay in the hot weather if you feel sick.
- DON'T overexert yourself or work outside without taking breaks.
- DON'T hesitate to call EMS and seek medical attention.

Heat-Related Emergencies

Heat Stroke

- Victim is often confused, disoriented
- . Skin is often HOT, RED, DRY
- Body temperature is VERY HIGH

What To Do:

- Heat stroke is an immediate medical emergency. Call 9-1-1.
- Move the victim to a cool location out of the heat.
- Place in front of a fan or in an airconditioned room
- Place ice packs under armpits and groin
- DO NOT give the victim ANYTHING to eat or drink!!

Heat Exhaustion

- Skin is COOL, PALE, MOIST
- Body temperature near normal
- Heavy sweating
- Possible headache, nausea, dizziness, vomiting

What To Do:

- Call 9-1-1 immediately.
- Move the victim to a cool location out of the heat.
- Lay victim on his/her back and elevate legs.
- Remove/loosen clothing.
- Cool victim by fanning or applying cold packs, wet sheets, or towels.