

Florida Juvenile Fire Safety “Fire Safety Begins with ME” Program Social Issues—”Fire is Dire”



Legal and Social Issues—”Fire is Dire”

Psychological Consequences

Psychological consequences are a direct result of individuals involvement in a fire. The psychological consequences that are most common are included in this education aid as a means to provide further description and outline key areas of emphasis during this session.

Depression

- May be frustrated with difficulty of resuming day to day activities

Anxiety Disorders

- Post traumatic stress disorder; ongoing severe emotional reaction to psychological trauma.

Social Stigma

- People may stare at burn victim, especially if burns are on face.

Stress

- Stress is due to a number of factors, including stressors of hospital environment and uncertainty about future.

Delirium and Brief Psychotic Reactions

- Usually due to infections, metabolic complications, high drug dosages

Grief

- Over loss of former self, loss of loved ones, loss of home or belongings.

