

PLAY THERAPY IN OUTPATIENT BURNS CLINIC

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This poster will outline the program that has been developed at the New Children's Hospital for children in the Outpatient Burns Clinic. The play therapist's role in this clinic is solely to provide coping strategies to children and their families during the baths and dressing changes. Decreasing anxiety and perceived pain giving control and demystifying the environment are aims of the play therapy program. Initial analysis and evaluation of the program have shown it to be extremely beneficial.