



## Burn Awareness Week 2023 in First Nations' Communities

Dear Daycare/Preschool Provider:

Burn Awareness Week 2023 is February 5-11<sup>th</sup>. This is an annual, National campaign intended to heighten awareness and understanding about devastating burn injuries and to educate everyone about how to prevent them.

Each year across Canada thousands of people suffer burn and scald injuries and it is our young children and Elders who are most at risk. The good news is that these injuries are preventable and that's why we need your help!

### Young Children Can Learn to Prevent Burn Injuries!

For Fire Prevention Week in October last year, FNESS sent you an activity to teach young children about staying safe around things that were hot and could burn them.

It was a simple, fun picture activity called ***What's Hot and Not Hot?*** The activity is intended to teach children to correctly identify hot things that can hurt and know not to touch them. Instructions have been provided.

We encourage you to reinforce these important messages about preventing burns with the

Everything you need for the activity has been attached to the email that contains this letter. And if you still have the laminated picture cards sent to you during FPW, all the better! We have also included a *Burn Prevention Education Poster* for parents, caregivers, and Elders that can be sent home to educate them about burn prevention. All materials can be found on the FNESS website at [www.fness.bc.ca](http://www.fness.bc.ca).

Thank you for being part of the FNESS team, bringing lifesaving burn prevention information to young children and their families! If you have questions, please contact me at [ajuma@fness.bc.ca](mailto:ajuma@fness.bc.ca).

Sincerely,

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