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5 TOP MESSAGES



- Only use the recovery position for casualties
 who do NOT meet the criteria for the initiation of rescue breathing or chest compressions (CPR)
- Use stroke scale assessment protocols for the early recognition of stroke
- When exertional or non-exertional heatstroke is suspected, immediately remove the casualty from the heat source, commence passive cooling and use additional, available cooling techniques
- To control severe-life threatening bleeding, apply direct pressure and consider the use of a haemostatic dressing or the application of a tourniquet
- For thermal burns, remove the casualty from the heat source and commence immediate cooling of the burn with cold or cool water for 20 minutes. Loosely cover the burn with a dry, sterile dressing or cling wrap