

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES
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I. TREATMENT

- A. ABCs – Assessment and treatment.
- B. Do not allow re-freezing. (Do not thaw if serious danger of refreezing exists.)
- C. Gradually warm extremities.
- D. Immobilize extremity and pad between fingers and toes.
- E. Do not rub. Protect from further trauma.
- F. Consider and treat hypothermia.

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