Photography Guideline:

Burn Team
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- Good photographs show:
  1) How bad it is (extent of injury)
  2) How good we did (interventions)
  3) Tissue/patient response over time
- Our USA Health HIPPA Policy status that "authorization must be obtained for photographing, interviewing or video recording made for purposes <u>other than</u> the identification, treatment of the patient, or education."
- Thus, images are for identification, treatment, and education.
- Consent always includes photography.

Tips:

Positioning	Background and Lighting	Images with Ipad	Smart Phone Apps	USA Email
Include anatomic landmarks that clearly show the location Position camera to see the tissue characteristics The surface photographed should be at right angles to the camera line of sight	Blue background works the best Avoid patient identifiers and faces when not part of pathology Avoid staff members Avoid bright lights	Nurses use Ipad with Cerner App in BICU Photos of each burned area after wound care Notify burn provider if images get uploaded wrong	Cerner preferred by HIPPA Compliance Officers and has best resolution OneDrive App sends images one's personal microsoft 365 Vincari app uploads directly to Vincari. Image resolution is marginal.	USA email is encrypted and is optimal for transmission of photographs. Delete email photos after transmission to EMR.