

HOW TO TREAT A SNAKE BITE

1 REST

Keep the person at rest, assured and under observation.



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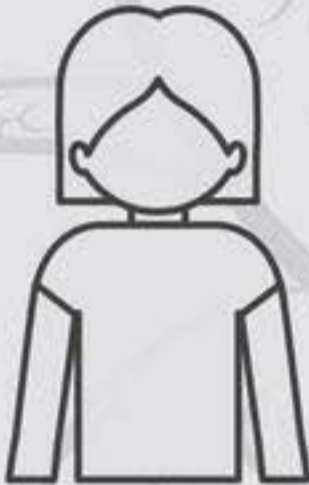
Get medical aid to the person as soon as possible.



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DRSABCD

Follow basic life support (DRSABCD) as required.



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BANDAGE

If bitten on a limb, apply a pressure immobilisation bandage over the bite site. This should be firm but not overly tight.

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SECOND BANDAGE

With a second roller bandage, start at the extremity of the limb and roll upwards, covering as much of the limb as possible.



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IMMOBILISE

The limb should be immobilised with a splint or sling and a mark placed over the bite site so hospital staff can find it.



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DON'T WASH

Don't wash venom off the skin as it will help identify the snake and which anti-venom is required.



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