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# DO'S & DON'TS DURING SNAKEBITE

## DO'S



**Stay calm and reassure the bitten person.**



**Move slowly away from the snake.**



**Leave the wound area (or bite mark) alone.**



**Remove the shoes, belt, rings, watches, jewellery or tight clothes from the affected area.**



**Make the patient lie in prone, on the left side, with the right leg bent and hand supporting the face.**



**Rush to the nearest health facility for medical treatment.**



**Don't allow the victim to become over-exerted or panic.**



**Don't attack or kill the snake. If you are close enough to hurt it, it can defend itself by biting you.**



**Don't cut and apply or inject any anti-snake venom locally on the wound.**



**Don't tie the affected area to stop blood circulation. It can lead to loss of limbs.**



**Don't lay the patient on his/her back. Lying on the back can block the airways.**



**Don't use traditional methods or any unsafe treatments.**

## SNAKEBITE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

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