

TOOLS TO TREAT Australian venomous creature bites & stings

Australia is home to many of the world's most venomous creatures. Australian venomous species include snakes, spiders, jellyfish and insects, all of which are capable of inflicting fatal bites and stings. Seqirus (a division of CSL) wanted to know how well informed Australians really were when it came to treating venomous bites and stings. According to a survey conducted by Seqirus, just one in five (20%) Aussies are familiar with emergency treatment for venomous bites and stings whilst younger Australians (aged under 25) are at greatest risk, showing the least amount of knowledge in treating bites and stings. Looks like we could all do with a little brushing up on basic first aid for bites and stings! **Here's a breakdown of the results:**

According to Australians surveyed...



One in four Gen Zs (23%) said they are more likely to pack their mobile phone than water or sunscreen when planning a day out at the beach or in the bush.



20% have had **first-hand experience** of a venomous bite or sting (having either been bitten themselves, or been present when someone was bitten or stung)



1/3 Yet despite a significant number of people experiencing venomous injuries, **one in three (33%)** people said they did **not know what treatment to apply** when it actually happened



18-24
YEAR OLDS
are the **least prepared** for encounters with venomous creatures with 31% admitting they would not know what to do if bitten or stung by a venomous creature in its natural habitat



23% of all Australians wouldn't know what to do if they were **bitten or stung** by a venomous creature in its natural habitat



2x **Men (27%)** are nearly twice as likely as **women (14%)** to believe they would know how to treat bites and stings

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