

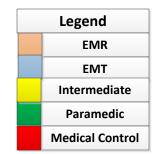
Excited Delirium/Behavioral Emergencies/Chemical Restraint

Assessment must include:

- Traumatic injury
- Drug abuse
- **Cardiac History**
- History of Asthma
- **Psychiatric History**

Other concerns:

- **Palpitations**
- Shortness of breath
- Wheezing
- Altered mental status
- Excited delirium secondary to psychiatric illness or substance abuse





EMR

- 1. Oxygen: For agitation, shortness of breath or chest pain titrate O2 to 94-99%, if patient allows you to do so.
- 2. Do not restrain the patient.

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- 1. Continue EMR care.
- 2. Assess for secondary causes of agitated behavior. These secondary causes include:

Alcohol intoxication

Drug abuse

Hypoglycemia or other medical disorder

Psychotic disorder

Head injury

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- 5. Contact Medical Control for a restraint order.
- 6. If restraints are needed, call for an ALS intercept.
- 7. If the patient has an altered mental status, then the patient must be assumed not to have capacity to refuse care. **Contact Medical Control for ALL refusal issues**
- 8. Initiate ALS intercept if needed and transport as soon as possible.
- 9. Contact receiving hospital as soon as possible or Medical Control if necessary.
- 1. Continue EMT care.
- 2. Initiate cardiac monitoring per Routine Care or if the patient appears agitated.
- 3. Versed: 5mg IM over 1 minute for chemical restraint. May repeat Versed 5mg IM x1 after 5 minutes as needed for a total of 10mg.
- 4. Versed: Intranasal may also be used if unable to give IM.
- 5. IV fluid therapy with Normal Saline may be initiated only when patient is cooperative.

1. Continue ILS care

2. Coordinate patient takedown with law enforcement and administer Ketamine 5mg/kg IM if patient is agitated and needs to be restrained. May repeat dose with Medical Control order.

3. IV fluid therapy with Normal Saline may be initiated only when patient is cooperative

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