



## AOC Clinical Safety Notice - 08/09/2022

### Acute Behavioural Disturbance (ABD) is a time-critical emergency.

Symptoms overlap with other disease presentations and can include *acute psychosis, extreme aggression, hyperthermia, rapid breathing, and excessive strength*

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Early management of hyperthermia, hypovolaemia, and agitation is essential; patients must be restrained for as little time as possible.

The patient **must** be continually monitored as deterioration happens rapidly.

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If a patient is actively restrained by the police, or the police state that the patient has ABD, this **must** generate a C1 response. Also ensure CCD are aware.

See [Acute Behavioural Disturbance \(ABD\).JRCALC Guideline](#) for full information.

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