



Excited Delirium, Sudden Death

Course Summary:

This course will give an overview of what Excited Delirium is- a mental state of confusion and excitement that includes disorientation for time and place with illusion and hallucinations. This course will review the signs and symptoms, what to expect from someone in this state, and the proper restraint of these individuals.

Performance Objectives

1. Define Excited Delirium A) Agitated Delirium is a more accurate term, and is classified as a diagnosis. B) Delirium is a mental state of confusion and excitement. 2. Explain in whom we are most commonly going to see signs and symptoms A) 32-40 year old males B) 91-99% are male subjects 3. Explain the signs and symptoms of Excited Delirium A) profuse sweating B) fixed and possibly dilated pupils C) bizarre behavior, unreasonable to the situation behavior 4. Explain what an officer can expect when dealing with an inmate in this delirium state. A) violence towards glass B) inability to follow simple instructions C) lack of understanding D) unexpected extreme physical strength and endurance E) extreme pain tolerance F) high body temperature G) violence can be triggered by anything 5. Articulate the causes of Excited Delirium A) drug reaction B) medical problems exacerbated by drugs C) psychological problems 6. Demonstrate how to restrain and control A) request back up officers B) use of force / lethal force necessary C) positioning of suspect D) transport of suspect by ambulance