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TRENDING MEDICAL EDUCATION TOPIC

Management of the Combative Patient

If your medical staff needs an update on managing combative patients, consider contacting our office to book a speaker at 877-505-4777 or info@speakersnetwork.com.

What is the problem?

Violence in the healthcare environment is a critical issue. According to estimates, healthcare workers in the United States are at a significantly higher risk of experiencing violence on the job, approximately five times more than the average worker. Healthcare professionals should be aware of situations that create a hostile and dangerous, and life-threatening environment in the healthcare setting. In addition, they should know how to respond when faced with combative patients or potentially violent situations that may come up in their workplace. Agitated or hostile patients in healthcare settings, particularly in the emergency department, have the potential to escalate to aggressive or violent behaviors, putting both the patient and healthcare professionals at risk of injury.

Learning Objectives

1. Develop a plan to evaluate a combative patient
2. Evaluate a tiered response when managing an agitated patient
3. Avoid common errors involved when restraining patients

How do we know this is a problem?

<https://www.bls.gov/iif/home.htm>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33145538/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK537281/>

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