



The Self Defence Arrest and Restraint (SDAR) working group led by DAC [REDACTED], works closely with the College of Policing. This group reviews the learning from coroners, the Independent Office of Police Conduct (IOPC), Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabularies and Fire and Rescue Services (HMICFRS), stakeholders and police forces.

Following the Oak inquest, the SDAR group immediately reviewed and updated the existing ABD power point and the PST Manual. This included incorporating additional training which was identified and documented within our response to the coroner overseeing the proceedings in this case.

Specialist advice was sought from experts in emergency and forensic medicine who provided expert advice to SDAR relating to the ABD PowerPoint, notes for trainers and the National Personal Safety Manual.

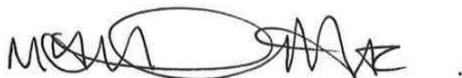
Subsequently the ABD Training Package for UK Police Forces was updated and circulated in March 2021 with a direction for Forces to deliver the revised ABD package with immediate effect.

Additionally, The Royal College of Emergency Medicine Best practice Guidelines: Guidelines for the Management of Excited Delirium/Acute Behaviour Disturbance (ABD) May 2016, was also circulated to forces in September 2021 which contains a section on 'restraint' in relation to medical settings.

I will ensure that this notice along with my response is shared with the College of Policing and the SDAR group for completeness.

I hope that the information that has been provided goes some way to reassure you that the matters of concern you have raised have been addressed and will be subject to continual review.

Yours sincerely,



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**Chair, National Police Chiefs' Council**