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# Use of Multiple Concurrent Antipsychotics in Children and Adolescents

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Concurrent Antipsychotics

## Description

- The percentage of children and adolescents 1–17 years of age who were treated with antipsychotic medications and were on two or more concurrent antipsychotic medications for at least 90 consecutive days during the measurement period.
- Eligible patients must:
  - Be 1-17 years of age
  - Have  $\geq 90$  consecutive days of antipsychotic use
- Consecutive use is based on drug events for the same or different antipsychotics
- Concurrent use is based on overlapping drug events for different antipsychotics



## Calculation

### NUMERATOR =

The number of eligible patients with  $\geq 90$  consecutive days of concurrent antipsychotic use

### DENOMINATOR =

The number of eligible patients with  $\geq 90$  consecutive days of antipsychotic use

## Exclusions

- Enrolled in hospice
- More than 1 gap in enrollment or a single gap  $> 45$  days



## Did You Know?

- Antipsychotics have many side effects, such as movement disorders and metabolic changes.<sup>1,2</sup>
- Monitoring for these side effects is recommended at routine intervals, such as obtaining glucose and lipid levels annually.<sup>3</sup>

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