

Pediatric Rules and Reminders

ADHD, (Last ADHD visit >6 months), Overdue for follow-up

Clinician Summary

Recommendation 5 of the AAP treatment guidelines suggests once the child is stable, an office visit every 3 to 6 months allows for assessment of learning and behavior. These visits also allow assessment of potential side effects of stimulants, such as decreased appetite and alteration of weight, height, and growth velocity.

This reminder prompts clinicians to follow up with individuals who have the following recorded indicators within the electronic health record (EHR) system:

- Age \geq 6 yrs and \leq 18yrs; and
- (ADHD or ADD on problem list) or med list includes methylphenidate or dextroamphetamine or mixed-salt amphetamine or atomoxetine; and
- last ADHD symptom review note written >6 months ago

References

1. Clinical practice guideline: treatment of the school-aged child with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. Pediatrics. 2001 Oct; 108(4): 1033-44.
2. Clinical practice guideline: diagnosis and evaluation of the child with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder. American Academy of Pediatrics. Pediatrics. 2000 May; 105(5): 1158-70. Review.

Web Links

1. American Academy of Pediatrics
<http://www.aap.org/policy/s0120.html>
2. NICHQ ADHD toolkit
<http://www.nichq.org/resources/toolkit/>

Implementation Notes

Rule category	ADHD
Rule title	ADHD, Overdue for follow-up
Primary Clinical Area	Pediatrics

Secondary Clinical Area	
Risk Group Definition	age \geq 6 yrs and \leq 18 yrs and (ADHD or ADD on problem list) or med list includes methylphenidate or dextroamphetamine or mixed-salt amphetamine or atomoxetine
Details for Risk Group	Attention Deficit Disorder problem Attention Deficit Disorder w/hyperactivity Attention Deficit Disorder, Childhood Ritalin La (Methylphenidate Extended Release), Ritalin Sr (Methylphenidate Sustained release), Ritalin Tablet (Methylphenidate Hcl Tablet), Metadate ER, Metadate CD, Methylin Oral Liquid, Methylin Chewable, Concerta, Dexedrine, Dexedrine spansule, Dextrostat, Adderall, Adderall-XR, atomoxetine
Triggering Condition	Last ADHD symptom review note written >6 months ago
Details for Triggering	Symptom check defined by use of ADHD templates
Condition	
Displayed Message	Patient has ADHD: medication/symptom follow-up recommended every 3-6months
Coded Responses	Snooze Periods
A: Symptom review done today B: Appointment scheduled C: Patient refused D: Symptom review documented elsewhere E: Deferred F: Other G: H:	A': 6 months B': 6 months C': 3 months D': 6 months E': 3 months F': 1 month G': H':

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