

# Common Medications Used in School-aged Children

Medication Classification	Common Pediatric Medications	Findings and Comments
Mood stabilizers/ Antipsychotics	Risperidone (Risperdal) Aripiprazole (Abilify) Quetiapine (Seroquel) Lamotrigine (Lamictal)	Most were superior to placebo in improving function. Most common SE somnolence and wt gain. Monitor for metabolic syndrome with 2nd generation antipsychotics. Monitor for rash with Lamictal.
Stimulants/ Alpha antagonists	Methylphenidate (Ritalin; Concerta) Amphetamine Salts (Adderall) Atomoxetine (Strattera) Clonidine/Guanfacine	Most superior to placebo. Most common side effect was loss of appetite. Caution with children with heart defects or past history of addiction.
Antidepressants/anti-anxiety	Fluoxetine Sertraline Citalopram Escitalopram (over age 12 years)	One study showed Fluoxetine superior to placebo in reducing repetitive behaviors. One study showed Bupropion superior to placebo in reducing repetitive behaviors. Mixed results with other antidepressants with overall positive results, but not large effects. Monitor for suicidal ideation.