

Research agenda developed for teen antipsychotic rx use

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Matthew J. Crowley, M.D., from the Durham Veterans Affairs Medical Center in North Carolina, and colleagues describe the development of a prioritized research agenda relating to <u>antipsychotic medication</u> use among adolescents and <u>young adults</u> with bipolar disorder. The existing literature was reviewed and a list of 23 potential evidence gaps identified. The stakeholders prioritized 10 high-priority evidence gaps, which related to three areas: comparative effectiveness of intervention strategies; the impact of <u>antipsychotic</u> medications of patient-centered



outcomes; and the effect of patient characteristics on the effectiveness of antipsychotic medications.

In a second report, Jennifer M. Gierisch, Ph.D., M.P.H., from the Duke University School of Medicine in Durham, N.C., and colleagues describe the development of a prioritized research agenda relating to the different surveillance and management options for women with DCIS. The existing literature was reviewed to identify evidence gaps, and stakeholders ranked these using a forced-ranking prioritization method. The researchers identified the 10 highest-ranked evidence gaps, which related to incorporation of patient-centered outcomes into future research; improvement of risk prediction for invasive breast cancer; evaluation of active surveillance as a strategy; and assessment of decision-making tools.

"Improvement of the ability of women given a DCIS diagnosis to make informed decisions about management options will be a critical need for the foreseeable future," Gierisch and colleagues write.

More information: Full Text - Crowley (subscription or payment may be required)

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