

## Selected adverse effects of oral antipsychotic medicines\*

|                         | Atypical antipsychotics |              |            |             |              |            |             |           | First-generation antipsychotics |                |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-----------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Adverse effect          | amisulpride             | aripiprazole | quetiapine | risperidone | paliperidone | olanzapine | ziprasidone | clozapine | haloperidol                     | chlorpromazine |
| Weight gain             | +                       | +            | ++         | ++          | ++           | +++        | +           | +++       | ++                              | +++            |
| Extrapyramidal          | ++                      | +            | +          | ++          | ++           | +          | +           | +         | +++                             | ++             |
| Anticholinergic         | +                       | +            | ++         | +           | ++           | +++        | +           | +++       | +++                             | +++            |
| Sedation                | +                       | +            | +++        | ++          | ++           | +++        | ++          | +++       | +                               | +++            |
| Orthostatic hypotension | +                       | +            | ++         | ++          | ++           | +          | ++          | ++        | +                               | +++            |

Frequencies at therapeutic doses (oral doses in adults 18–65 years): += ≤10%; ++ = >10%; +++ = >30%.

\*Not an exhaustive list of side effects. Refer to the Approved Product Information for more information.

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