National Aged Care Mandatory Quality Indicator Program

Quick Reference Guide: Medication Management - Antipsychotics



This quick reference guide provides information for approved providers of residential aged care to understand and meet their obligations to collect and report data on medication management - antipsychotics for the QI Program.

The medication management – antipsychotics quality indicator is reported against:

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| Icon for medication management | **Percentage of care recipients who received antipsychotic medications** |

**Antipsychotics** are medications prescribed for the treatment of a diagnosed condition of psychosis.

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| Antipsychotic medicationsA non-exhaustive list of antipsychotic medications for the purposes of the QI Program: | | |
| * Amisulpride * Aripiprazole * Asenapine * Brexpiprazole * Chlorpromazine * Clozapine | * Droperidol * Flupentixol * Haloperidol * Lurasidone * Olanzapine * Paliperidone | * Periciazine * Quetiapine * Risperidone * Trifluoperazine * Ziprasidone * Zuclopenthixol |



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Identify and record a collection date (DD/MM/YYYY) during the quarter – between the second week and end of the quarter. The collection date and the six days prior will be the assessment period for which all care recipient medication charts and administration records are reviewed for antipsychotic medications.

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Complete a seven-day medication charts and/or administration record review for each care recipient.

Recordkeeping icon

Record the number of care recipients:

* whose medication charts and/or administration records are reviewed to assess for antipsychotics
* excluded because they were admitted in hospital for the entire seven-day assessment period
* who received an antipsychotic medication
* who receive an antipsychotic medication for a medically diagnosed condition of psychosis

*Approved providers of residential aged care must collect and report on both polypharmacy and antipsychotics medication management quality indicator categories, according to the requirements set out in the QI Program Manual 4.0 – Part A (Manual).*

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Reporting numbers icon

**Report** the number of care recipients:

* who received an antipsychotic medication

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**Additionally, report** the:

* collection date for the quarter (DD/MM/YYYY)

**Additionally, report** the number of care recipients:

* assessed for antipsychotics
* who received an antipsychotic medication for a diagnosed condition of psychosis
* excluded because they were admitted in hospital for the entire seven-day assessment period

EXAMPLE

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| **Care recipient A** has a medically diagnosed condition of psychosis  * received antipsychotics once in the last seven days | **Care recipient B** has a medically diagnosed condition of psychosis  * did not receive antipsychotics in the last seven days | **Care recipient C** does not have a medically diagnosed condition of psychosis  * received antipsychotics twice in the last seven days |

14/04/2023 The collection date for the quarter (assessment period therefore 8–14/04/2023 inclusive)

Three Number of care recipients assessed for antipsychotic medications

Two Number of care recipients who received an antipsychotic medication

One Number of care recipients who received an antipsychotic medication for a medically diagnosed condition of psychosis

Data recording templates for each quality indicator are available on the department’s website. Use the templates to automatically calculate and summarise data for submission through the M Government Provider Management System.

Submit QI Program data


There are three ways QI Program data can be submitted:

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* + - 1. Through the GPMS
      2. Via a bulk file upload
      3. Through a third-party benchmarking company

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Data must be submitted by the **21st day of the month after the end of each quarte**r

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 More information**

The QI Program Manual, and other guidance materials, are available on the Department of Health and Aged Care [website](http://www.health.gov.au/qi-program).

For QI Program assistance, contact the My Aged Care provider and assessor helpline on   
1800 836 799. The helpline is available between 8am and 8pm Monday to Friday, and between   
10am and 2pm on Saturday local time across Australia, except for public holidays.