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| Description: | Treatment with an antipsychotic medicine is only considered if a patient with delirium is distressed and the cause of their distress cannot be addressed and non-drug strategies have failed to ease their symptoms. |

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| Relational attributes | |
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| Indicators linked to this outcome area: | [Delirium clinical care standard indicators: 6a-Evidence of local arrangements to ensure that patients with delirium are not routinely prescribed antipsychotic medicines](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/628098)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 12/09/2016  [Delirium clinical care standard indicators: 6b-Proportion of patients with delirium prescribed antipsychotic medicines in hospital](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/628110)  [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 12/09/2016 |
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