





FLORIDA MEDICAID PRIOR AUTHORIZATION



Antipsychotic (6 to < 18 Years of Age)



Maximum Length of Approval = 180 Days

Note: Form must be completed in full.

FDA-approved agents and doses are considered most appropriate.

FDA Information for 6–17 Age Group		
Medication and Approved Use	Age Range	Dosing Instructions
<b>Aripiprazole</b>		
Bipolar Disorder (manic or mixed episodes)	Pediatric age 10–17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 2 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 10 mg/day <b>Maximum dose:</b> 30 mg/day
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 13–17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 2 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 10 mg/day <b>Maximum dose:</b> 30 mg/day
Irritability associated with Autism	Pediatric age 6–17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 2 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 5–10 mg/day <b>Maximum dose:</b> 15 mg/day
<b>Lurasidone</b>		
Bipolar I Disorder (depression)	Pediatric age 10-17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 20 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 20-80 mg/day <b>Maximum dose:</b> 80 mg/day
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 10-17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 40 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 40-80 mg/day <b>Maximum dose:</b> 80 mg/day
<b>Olanzapine</b>		
Bipolar I Disorder (manic or mixed episodes)	Pediatric age 13–17	<b>Oral Formulation</b> <b>Initial dose:</b> 2.5–5 mg/day <b>Target dose:</b> 10 mg/day
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 13–17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 2.5–5 mg/day <b>Target dose:</b> 10 mg/day
<b>Paliperidone</b>		
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 12–17	<b>Weight &lt; 51kg: Initial Dose</b> (3 mg/day) <b>Recommended Dose</b> (3–6 mg/day) <b>Maximum Dose</b> (6 mg/day) <b>Weight ≥ 51kg: Initial Dose</b> (3 mg/day) <b>Recommended Dose</b> (3–12 mg/day) <b>Maximum Dose</b> (12 mg/day)
<b>Risperidone</b>		
Bipolar I Disorder (manic or mixed episodes)	Pediatric age 10–17	<b>Initial dose:</b> 0.5 mg/day <b>Titration:</b> 0.5–1 mg/day <b>Recommended dose:</b> 2.5 mg/day <b>Effective dose range:</b> 0.5–6 mg/day

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Irritability associated with Autism	Pediatric age 5–16	<p><b>Initial dose:</b> 0.25 mg/day (&lt; 20 kg); 0.5 mg/day (≥ 20 kg)</p> <p><b>Titration:</b> 0.25–0.5 mg at &gt; or = 2 weeks</p> <p><b>Recommended dose:</b> 0.5 mg/day (&lt; 20 kg); 1 mg/day (≥ 20 kg)</p> <p><b>Effective dose range:</b> 0.5–3 mg/day</p>
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 13–17	<p><b>Initial dose:</b> 0.5 mg/day</p> <p><b>Titration:</b> 0.5–1 mg/day</p> <p><b>Target dose:</b> 3 mg/day</p> <p><b>Effective dose range:</b> 1–6 mg/day</p>
<b>Quetiapine</b>		
Bipolar I Disorder (mania)	Pediatric age 10–17	<p><b>Information provided is for the immediate release table formulation</b></p> <p><b>Day 1:</b> 25 mg twice a day</p> <p><b>Day 2:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 100 mg</p> <p><b>Day 3:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 200 mg</p> <p><b>Day 4:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 300 mg</p> <p><b>Day 5:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 400 mg</p> <p>Further adjustments should be in increments no greater than 100 mg/per day within the recommended dose range of 400–600 mg/per day. Based on response and tolerability, may be administered three times daily.</p>
Schizophrenia	Pediatric age 12–17	<p><b>Information provided is for the immediate release tablet formulation</b></p> <p><b>Day 1:</b> 25 mg twice daily</p> <p><b>Day 2:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 100 mg</p> <p><b>Day 3:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 200 mg</p> <p><b>Day 4:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 300 mg</p> <p><b>Day 5:</b> Twice daily dosing totaling 400 mg</p> <p><b>Recommend dose range:</b> 400–800 mg/day</p> <p>Further adjustments should be in increments no greater than 100 mg/per day within the recommended dose range of 400–800 mg/per day. Based on response and tolerability, may be administered three times daily.</p>

**Helpful Links:**

- Access the following information at <http://floridabhcenter.org/index.html>:
  - **Antipsychotic High Dosing Table for Children and Adolescents**
  - **AIMS/DISCUS forms**
  - Florida Medicaid **Best Practice Psychotherapeutic Medication Guidelines for Children and Adolescents**
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) **BMI Calculator for Children and Teens:** <https://www.cdc.gov/healthyweight/bmi/calculator.html>

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