

Studied tools to help address potentially inappropriate prescribing

Explicit Criteria-Based Tools

STOPP/START Criteria

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC10447584/>

<https://www.cgakit.com/m-2-stopp-start>

Beers Criteria

<https://agsjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/jgs.18372>

<https://www.cgakit.com/m2-meds-review>

<https://agsjournals.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/jgs.19500?fbclid=IwQ0xDSwLucv5leHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHq1L->

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PRISCUS List

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC2933536/>

EU(7)-PIM List

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC4464049/>

NORGEF Criteria

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC3413187/>

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC4834501/>

FORTA (Fit FOR The Aged) List

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC8934757/>

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC12660370/>

Anticholinergic Burden Scale

<https://www.acbcalc.com/>

Drug Burden Index (DBI)

<https://www.gmedss.com/about>

Implicit Tools

Medication Appropriateness Index (MAI)

<https://www.cgakit.com/m-2-mai>

<https://globalrph.com/medcalcs/medication-appropriateness-index-calculator/>

Assessing Care of Vulnerable Elders (ACOVE) Indicators

https://www.acpjournals.org/doi/10.7326/0003-4819-135-8_part_2-200110161-00002?url_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr_id=ori:rid:crossref.org&rfr_dat=cr_pub%20%20pubmed

Good Palliative-Geriatric Practice (GP-GP) Algorithm

<https://www.bmj.com/content/369/bmj.m1822>

Medication Review Frameworks

Pharmaceutical care network Europe classification for drug related problems

https://pcne.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/02/PCNE_classification_V5.pdf

Strand Classification of Drug Therapy Problems

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/2275235/>

Medication Risk Databases

Meds75+

https://fimea.fi/en/databases_and_registeries/medicines_information/database_of_medication_for_older_persons

PHARAO

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29198061/>

Additional resources

Managing polypharmacy toolkit for clinicians

https://www.cda-amc.ca/sites/default/files/corporate/corp_committees/Expert_Panel-Appropriate_Use/5_Tips_Manage_Polypharmacy_Toolkit_EN.pdf

Managing polypharmacy toolkit for patients

https://www.cda-amc.ca/sites/default/files/corporate/corp_committees/Expert_Panel-Appropriate_Use/5Q-Toolkit-8.25.2025-English.pdf

Deprescribing resources

deprescribingnetwork.ca/professionals

<https://deprescribing.org/resources/>

Canada's Drug Agency resources

<https://www.cda-amc.ca/appropriate-use-our-work>

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This document includes examples of the tools used in clinical trials that were included in the systematic review that supported this guideline.

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