

**Outcome measures for interventions to reduce inappropriate prescribing of chronic drugs: a  
narrative review**

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**Search strategy, list of articles and details on studies and measures**

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### **Supplementary Text S1. Search strategy**

Concepts #1 and #2 were combined with the Boolean operator “AND”. Concept #3 was added with the Boolean operator “OR” (i.e. (Concept #1 AND Concept#2) OR Concept #3).

#### **Concept #1: low-value prescribing**

((("low-value" or harmful or "low value" or inappropriate or unnecessary or wasteful or waste or overus\* or futile or futility or "non-essential" or "non essential" or nonessential or "non-beneficial" or nonbeneficial or "not appropriate" or "no indication" or "not indicated" or "without indication" or overtreat\* or "over-treat\*" or "absence of indication" or "absence of proper indication" or "absence of a proper indication" or "absence of an indication" or "appropriateness of indication" or "appropriateness of polypharmacy" or "appropriate indication" or "appropriate polypharmacy") adj3 (therapeutic\* or drug\* or medication\* or medicine\* or prescription\* or prescrib\* or pharmaceutical\* or polypharmacy or antidepressant\* or "anti-depressant\*" or antidepressive\* or "anti-depressive\*" or PPI\* or "proton-pump inhibitor\*" or antacid\* or "proton pump inhibitor\*" or "beta-blocker\*" or betablocker\* or laxative\* or benzodiazepine\* or hypnotic\* or "z-drug\*" or neuroleptic\* or antipsychotic\* or phenothiazine\* or antihistamine\* or "anti-histamine\*" or "loop diuretic\*" or "cholinesterase inhibitor\*" or "acetylcholinesterase inhibitor\*" or diltiazem or verapamil or amiodarone or digoxin or alfablocker\* or "alpha-blocker\*" or statin\* or anticholinergic\* or "anti-cholinergic\*" or antimuscarinic\* or "anti-muscarinic\*" or levodopa or "dopamine agonist\*" or nsar\* or nsaid\* or "non-steroidal antirheumatic\*" or "non-steroidal anti-rheumatic\*" or "non steroidal antirheumatic" or "non steroidal anti-rheumatic\*" or "non-steroidal antiinflammatory" or "non steroidal antiinflammatory" or "non-steroidal anti-inflammatory\*" or "non steroidal anti-inflammatory" or oestrogen\* or androgen\* or theophylline or thiazolidinedione or metformin or prochlorperazine or metoclopramide or "anti-emetic\*" or antiemetic or antihypertensive or "anti-hypertensive" or (hypertension adj2 (therapeutic\* or drug\* or medication\* or medicine\* or prescription\* or prescrib\* or pharmaceutical\* or treatment\*)) or (diabetes adj2 (therapeutic\* or drug\* or medication\* or medicine\* or prescription\* or prescrib\* or pharmaceutical\* or treatment\*)) or ("blood pressure" adj2 (therapeutic\* or drug\* or medication\* or medicine\* or prescription\* or prescrib\* or pharmaceutical\* or treatment\*)) or antidiabetic or "anti-diabetic")).ab,ti.

**OR**

(overprescription\* or overprescrib\* or over-prescription\* or over-prescrib\* or "beers criteria" or STOPP).ab,ti.

**OR**

Inappropriate Prescribing/

**OR**

Potentially Inappropriate Medication List/

#### **Concept #2: intervention to reduce concept low-value prescribing**

Deprescriptions/

**OR**

Withholding Treatment/

**OR**

(reduce or reducing or reduction or reduced or withdraw\* or withhold\* or stop or stopped or stopping or elimin\* or tapering or taper or cease or ceasing or ceased or cessation\* or de-intensif\* or deintensif\* or deprescribing or deprescrib\* or "de-prescribing" or "de-prescrib\*" or "de-implementation\*" or "de-implement\*" or deimplement\* or discontinue\* or discontinuation\* or curb or curbing or curbed).ab,ti.

#### **Concept #3: additional short-cuts to broaden the search on specific issues not identified through (Concept #1 AND Concept #2)**

((benzodiazepine\* or "z-drug\*" or hypnotic\*) and (intervention or deprescribing)).ab,ti.

**OR**

("medication review" and (outcome or intervention)).ab,ti.

**OR**

(polypharmacy and intervention).ab,ti.

**OR**

(deprescribing and (guideline\* or recommendation\* or outcome\* or intervention\*)).ab,ti.

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**Supplementary Table S1.** Measure categorization and assessment

<b>Measure specification</b>
Count
Scale - existing/validated vs. non-validated
Proportion (numerator/denominator)
Other
<b>Measure type</b>
Appropriateness (overuse, underuse, other) - cessation, dose reduction, new prescription, switch for another drug
Utilization/ordering - cessation, dose reduction, new prescription, switch for another drug
Intermediate outcome
Outcome
Patient reported: - outcome measure (PROM) - experience measure (PREM) - preferences
Provider-reported experience
Patient-provider interaction
Cost-related - value (outcome/cost) - cost
Other
<b>Measure of unintended consequence type (if applicable)</b>
Substitution of an alternative drug
Underuse of the drug being intervened upon
Underuse of a related drug
Patient-reported experience
Provider-reported experience
Harm (outcome)
Other
<b>Measure source</b>
Patient-reported
Provider-reported
Medical/pharmacy record
Validated scale/questionnaire
Not validated scale/questionnaire
Blinded assessment

**Supplementary Table S2.** Detailed study characteristics

	<b>First author, year</b>	<b>Setting</b>	<b>Design (qualitative assessment)</b>	<b>Control group</b>	<b>Elderly only</b>	<b>N of drug(s)</b>	<b>Drug class(es)</b>	<b>Patient intervention</b>	<b>Provider intervention</b>
1	Rognstad, 2013	Outpatient, general care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Education, drug review, feedback and audit
2-5	Clyne, 2015, 2016, 2016; Gillespie, 2017	Outpatient, general care	Cluster RCT ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Education	Education, drug review
6-8	Eveleigh, 2014, 2018, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Cluster RCT ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	No	1	Antidepressant	-	Education, guideline
9	Luymes, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	2	Antihypertensive & lipid-lowering drugs	Education, advice to discuss with GP, SDM process	Education, guideline
10-11	Vicens, 2016, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	BZD	Education	Education
12	Moga, 2017	Outpatient, general care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	Anticholinergic	Education, drug plan, discussion, alternative drug	Drug review
13	Van der Meer, 2018	Outpatient, general care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	2	BZD/SH, anticholinergic	Preferences and action plan discussion	Drug review, action plan discussion
14	Kuntz, 2019	Outpatient, general care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	SH, not BZD	Education, phone call with pharmacist, physician's letter, drug substitution	-
15	Navy, 2018	Outpatient, general care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	Alprazolam	Education	-
16	Salonoja, 2010	Outpatient, general care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Fall-risk increasing drugs	Education	-
17-18	Keith, 2013; Lopatto, 2014	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Education, guideline, brochure with alternative drugs
19	Cossette, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Prospective interventional pilot ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Education, guideline, checklist, drug review, computer alert
20	Roughead, 2013	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post & time series ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Educational brochure encouraging dialogue	Education
21	Morrison, 2015	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, drug review
22	Garfinkel, 2010	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	PIMs	Education, explanation of deprescribing rationale	Checklist, Good Palliative-Geriatric Practice algorithm

23	Park, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post, time series ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	Antidepressant	-	Drug utilization review
24	Lasota, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Prospective quality improvement ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	2	BZD, antidepressant	-	Guideline with deprescribing algorithm, drug review, phone call to inform provider about PIMs
25	De Gier, 2010	Outpatient, general care	Prospective matched-control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	BZD	Group psychotherapy	Pay for performance, discontinuation letter, consultation to discuss tapering
26	Lopez-Peig, 2012	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	No	1	BZD	Education, drug substitution	Education, feedback
27-28	Jorgensen, 2010, 2012	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	BZD/SH	-	Prescription rules
29	Kalisch Ellet, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD/SH	Education, tailored letter recommending dialogue with doctor	Education
30	Crabtree, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Prospective time series ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	2	BZD, SH, opioid	-	Guideline
31	Shayegani, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	2	BZD with opioid	-	Drug review, recommendations sent to prescriber
32	Al Achkar, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective time-series ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	Opioid	Signed controlled-substance agreement	Drug review, prescribing rules
33	Murie, 2012	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	No	1	PPI	Education, drug substitution (sodium alginate, bicarbonate)	-
34	Quinn, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	PPI	Education, tapering protocol, drug substitution	Deprescribing algorithm
35	Reeve, 2015	Outpatient, general care	Prospective feasibility study ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	PPI	Education, consent for withdrawal	Guideline, drug review, physician approval for withdrawal
36	Walsh, 2016	Outpatient, general care	Prospective cohort ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	No	1	PPI	Education	Deprescribing tool, reminders in electronic medical record
37	Ammerman, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective matched control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Drug review
38	Hui, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective matched control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	Antidiabetic	Shared-decision discussion of best action plan according to lifestyle and preferences	Deprescribing algorithm

39	Weatherburn, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective pre/post, time series ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	BZD/SH	-	Prescribing protocol
40	Ragan, 2019	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective pre/post, time series ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD/SH	Education	Education, guideline, Academic detailing
41	Patel, 2018	Outpatient, general care	Retrospective time series, matched control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	Opioid	-	Clinical reminder
42	Santolaya-Perrin, 2019	Outpatient, general care; ED	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	$\geq 4$	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, drug review, recommendations sent to GP
43	Stevens, 2015	Outpatient, general care; ED	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	$\geq 4$	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, informatics-based guideline, feedback
44-46	Tannenbaum, 2014; Martin, 2017, 2017	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Cluster RCT ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	BZD	Education, patient asked to discuss with physician/pharmacist	-
47	Kouladjian O'Donnell, 2019	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Prospective pre/post ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	Yes	$\geq 4$	Drugs with sedative or anticholinergic effect	Patient version of Drug Burden Index report	Education, drug review, integration of Drug Burden Index in medical record
48	Luchen, 2018	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	2	BZD, opioid	-	Guideline, drug review, letter with prescription recommendation
49	Dormuth, 2012	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Retrospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	2	BZD, opioid	-	Centralized prescription network (PharmaNet)
50	Gomes, 2014	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Retrospective time series ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	3	BZD/SH, opioid, stimulant	-	Legislation for physicians and pharmacists
51	Hurmuz, 2018	Outpatient, general care; pharmacy	Retrospective pre/post ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	$\geq 4$	Multiple PIMs	-	Drug review
52	McNicholl, 2017	Outpatient, HIV care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	$\geq 4$	Multiple PIMs	Discussion of patient perception of drug use and indication	Checklist, drug review, drug interaction according to Center for Disease Control and Prevention
53	McIntyre, 2017	Outpatient, dialysis unit	Prospective quality improvement ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	$\geq 4$	Quinine, PPI, diuretic, alpha-blocker, statin	-	Deprescribing algorithm
54	Shilpa, 2019	Psychiatric in- and outpatient care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	BZD/SH	Education, SDM process	SDM process

55	Erwin, 2018	Outpatient, mental health care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD/SH	Education letter	-
56	Avgadic, 2018	Outpatient, mental health care	Retrospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	BZD/SH	Education	Education, guidelines
57	Lenander, 2017	Outpatient general care, home care, long-term care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Questionnaire to fulfil, followed by review and feedback,
58	Coffey, 2019	Outpatient, general care; long-term care	Prospective interventional pilot ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	1	PPI	Education, drug substitution (anti-H2)	Drug review, tapering recommendation from pharmacist to physician
59	Avraham, 2018	Outpatient, general care; long-term care	Prospective interventional pilot study ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	1	PPI	Interactions about triggers, history, symptoms drug substitution (anti-H2)	Education, drug review, qualitative interactions
60	Smith, 2010	Outpatient, general care; long-term care	Prospective pre/post and matched control ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	No	1	BZD	Education	Education
61	Patterson, 2010	Long-term care; pharmacy	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	3	Anxiolytic, BZD/SH, antipsychotic	Discussion	Discussion, drug review, algorithm on appropriateness and alternatives
62	Wouters, 2018	Long-term care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Discussion of experience and preferences	Checklist, drug review
63-64	Pitkälä, 2014; Juola, 2015	Long-term care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Education, checklist, list of harmful drugs provided by nurses to physicians
65	Kirkham, 2019	Long-term care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	Antipsychotic	-	Education, monitoring tools, interprofessional meetings
66	Potter, 2016	Long-term care	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Discussion about symptoms	Deprescribing algorithm, medical and drug review, discussion between providers, GP suggestions
67	De Souto Barreto, 2016	Long-term care	Quasi-experimental ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	BZD/SH	-	Audit and feedback, drug review, identification of quality indicators
68	Carnahan, 2017	Long-term care	Quasi-experimental ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	2	Antipsychotic, anticholinergic	-	Education, guideline
69	Massot Mesquida, 2019	Long-term care	Quasi-experimental pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	Antipsychotic	-	Guideline, drug review based on patient needs and guidelines



70	Lapane, 2011	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Education, guideline, computer communication between providers
71	Pruskowski, 2017	Long-term care	Prospective quality improvement pilot study ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Discussion of drug changes	Drug review, recommendations to physicians/nurses
72	Blozik, 2010	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIM	-	Education, checklist, other recommendations
73	Garcia-Caballero, 2018	Long-term care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	≥4	PIMs	-	Checklist, computer alert
74	Sasson, 2017	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	Antipsychotic	-	Drug review, interdisciplinary psychopharmacology rounds
75	Bravo-José, 2019	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	Antipsychotic	-	Guideline
76	Brodaty, 2018	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	Antipsychotic	-	Education
77-78	Westbury, 2010, 2011	Long-term care	Prospective matched control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	2	Antipsychotic, BZD	-	Education, guideline, audit and feedback, drug review, Academic detailing consciousness raising
79	Westbury, 2018	Long-term care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	2	Antipsychotic, BZD	-	Education, guideline, audit and feedback, drug review, Academic detailing consciousness raising
80	Pasina, 2016	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	3	BZD, antipsychotic, antidepressant	-	Education, computerized prescription support system
81	Farrell, 2017	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	3	Antipsychotic, BZD/SH, PPI	-	Education, guideline
82	Ailabouni, 2019	Long-term care	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	2	BZD/SH, anticholinergic	Discussion with patient to assess concerns	Guidelines, drug review
83	Mestres Gonzalvo, 2018	Long-term care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD/SH	-	Drug alert with report sent to physician
84	Gemelli, 2016	Long-term care	Prospective intervention pilot study ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD/SH	-	Drug review, pharmacist recommendations to physician

85	Lee, 2017	Long-term care	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	PPI	Drug substitution (anti-H2), discussion of cessation	Pharmacist recommendation to physician, choice of tapering mode
86	Weeks, 2019	Long-term care	Retrospective matched control ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	3	Anxiolytic, antidepressant, antipsychotic	Education	Checklist, drug review
87	Bounthavong, 2019	Long-term care	Retrospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD	-	Education, Academic detailing
88	Pope, 2011	Inpatient; long-term care	Cluster RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, drug review, clinical assessment
89	Dalleur, 2014	Inpatient	RCT ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Recommendations to ward physicians, checklist
90	Edey, 2018	Inpatient	RCT ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	No	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Education	Guideline, drug review, rounds to discuss discontinuation
91	Gnjidic, 2019	Inpatient	RCT ( <i>Yes</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	BZD	Education	-
92	Van der Linden, 2017	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, drug review
93	Van der Linden, 2019	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, drug review
94	Grion, 2016	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Computer tool integrating checklist, interaction tool, patient & prognostic data
95	McKean, 2015	Inpatient	Prospective pilot study ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Discussion for cessation agreement	Education, discussions, decision support tool with 5-step deprescribing algorithm
96	Kashyap, 2015	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Checklist, feedback to physician, education
97	Kimura, 2015	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	Discussion about intention to change	Checklist, discussion between pharmacists and physicians
98	Potter, 2019	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	≥4	Multiple PIMs	-	Pharmacist-led, physician-supported drug review
99	Hashimoto, 2016	Inpatient	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	No	1	Antipsychotic	-	Drug review, pharmacist recommendations to physicians
100	Pellicano, 2018	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	3	BZD/SH, antipsychotic, antidepressant	-	Recommendation on how to change prescription
101	Wilson, 2018	Inpatient	Prospective cohort ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	Yes	1	BZD/SH	Educational booklet	-
102	Hamzat, 2012	Inpatient	Prospective pre/post ( <i>No</i> )	No	Yes	1	PPI	Education	Education, drug review

103	McDonald, 2015	Inpatient	Prospective pre/post, time-series ( <i>No</i> )	Yes	No	1	PPI	Education, counselling	Education, feedback
104	Tay, 2014	Inpatient	Prospective pre/post ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	1	Anticholinergic	-	Drug review
105	Carr, 2019	Rehabilitation inpatient	Prospective interventional pilot study ( <i>Yes</i> )	No	Yes	1	BZD	Education brief supportive counselling	Education, drug review, communication with GP

**Abbreviations:** anti-H2, histamine H2 antagonist; BZD, benzodiazepine; ED, emergency department; GP, general practitioner; N, number; PIMs, potentially inappropriate medications; PPI, proton pump inhibitor; pre/post, pre-/post-intervention study; RCT, randomized controlled trial; SDM, shared-decision making; SH, sedative-hypnotic other than benzodiazepine.

**Legend:** Eight studies published their results in different articles that were grouped for the analyses (105 articles, 93 original studies). We considered BZD and SH as a single drug class. First column numbers correspond to reference numbers in Supplementary Text S2. The studies were ordered according to 1) setting (outpatient general care, outpatient general care and other, outpatient specialized care, long-term care and other, long-term care, inpatient, rehabilitation inpatient); 2) design (cluster RCT, RCT, prospective, retrospective); 3) drug class(es) targeted.

**Supplementary Table S3.** Summary of measures for each study

	First author, year	N of measures	N of measures of unintended consequences	N of each measure category									N of each measure subcategory		
				<i>Appropriateness</i>	<i>Utilization/ordering</i>	<i>Intermediate outcome</i>	<i>Outcome</i>	<i>PREM /preferences</i>	<i>PROM</i>	<i>Provider-reported experience</i>	<i>Patient-provider interaction</i>	<i>Value / Cost</i>	<i>Cessation</i>	<i>Dose reduction</i>	<i>Switch</i>
1	Rognstad, 2013	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0
2-5	Clyne, 2015, 2016, 2016; Gillespie, 2017	20	0	6	0	0	2	1	3	1	1	5	6	1	1
6-8	Eveleigh, 2014, 2018, 2019	11	5	1	0	0	0	3	5	0	0	2	1	0	0
9	Luymes, 2018	11	2	0	1	0	8	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
10-11	Vicens, 2016, 2019	7	1	1	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0
12	Moga, 2017	6	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	4	1	0
13	Van der Meer, 2018	10	0	1	0	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	1	1	0
14	Kuntz, 2019	5	0	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
15	Navy, 2018	4	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
16	Salonoja, 2010	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
17-18	Keith, 2013; Lopatto, 2014	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
19	Cossette, 2019	5	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
20	Roughead, 2013	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
21	Morrison, 2015	11	0	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
22	Garfinkel, 2010	15	7	3	2	2	4	0	4	0	0	0	3	1	1
23	Park, 2018	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
24	Lasota, 2019	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	3	0
25	De Gier, 2010	4	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	2
26	Lopez-Peig, 2012	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
27-28	Jorgensen, 2010, 2012	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

29	Kalisch Ellet, 2018	6	0	2	0	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
30	Crabtree, 2019	4	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
31	Shayegani, 2018	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
32	Al Achkar, 2018	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
33	Murie, 2012	5	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
34	Quinn, 2019	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
35	Reeve, 2015	4	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
36	Walsh, 2016	6	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	1
37	Ammerman, 2019	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0
38	Hui, 2019	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
39	Weatherburn, 2019	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
40	Ragan, 2019	9	0	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	1
41	Patel, 2018	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
42	Santolaya-Perrin, 2019	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
43	Stevens, 2015	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
44-46	Tannenbaum, 2014; Martin, 2017, 2017	14	1	2	0	0	0	2	9	0	1	0	1	1	0
47	Kouladjian O'Donnell, 2019	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0
48	Luchen, 2018	4	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
49	Dormuth, 2012	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
50	Gomes, 2014	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
51	Hurmuz, 2018	9	0	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	4	2
52	McNicholl, 2017	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1
53	McIntyre, 2017	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
54	Shilpa, 2019	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0
55	Erwin, 2018	4	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
56	Avgadic, 2018	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
57	Lenander, 2017	5	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	1

58	Coffey, 2019	6	1	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
59	Avraham, 2018	8	6	1	1	0	3	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1
60	Smith, 2010	6	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	1	0
61	Patterson, 2010	3	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
62	Wouters, 2018	13	0	6	0	0	6	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	1
63-64	Pitkälä, 2014; Juola, 2015	12	0	6	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	6	1	1
65	Kirkham, 2019	6	3	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
66	Potter, 2016	15	0	2	2	1	6	0	4	0	0	0	2	1	0
67	De Souto Barreto, 2016	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
68	Carnahan, 2017	4	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
69	Massot Mesquida, 2019	5	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
70	Lapane, 2011	4	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
71	Pruskowski, 2017	4	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1
72	Blozik, 2010	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1
73	Garcia-Caballero, 2018	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	2
74	Sasson, 2017	8	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
75	Bravo-José, 2019	4	1	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
76	Brodaty, 2018	12	3	3	3	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	1
77-78	Westbury, 2010, 2011	8	0	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
79	Westbury, 2018	9	1	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	4	1
80	Pasina, 2016	4	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
81	Farrell, 2017	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
82	Ailabouni, 2019	11	0	1	1	2	2	0	5	0	0	0	2	1	0
83	Mestres Gonzalvo, 2018	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

84	Gemelli, 2016	6	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
85	Lee, 2017	5	2	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1
86	Weeks, 2019	5	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0
87	Bounthavong, 2019	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	0
88	Pope, 2011	7	0	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
89	Dalleur, 2014	5	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0
90	Edey, 2018	6	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	0
91	Gnjidic, 2019	4	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
92	Van der Linden, 2017	12	0	3	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	2	2	0
93	Van der Linden, 2019	4	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
94	Grion, 2016	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
95	McKean, 2015	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
96	Kashyap, 2015	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0
97	Kimura, 2015	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
98	Potter, 2019	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
99	Hashimoto, 2016	7	4	2	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	3
100	Pellicano, 2018	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
101	Wilson, 2018	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	0
102	Hamzat, 2012	4	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
103	McDonald, 2015	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
104	Tay, 2014	7	0	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2	0
105	Carr, 2019	14	2	2	1	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	<b>Total (% of measures)</b>	<b>511</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>211 (51)</b>	<b>52 (10)</b>	<b>27 (5)</b>	<b>94 (18)</b>	<b>19 (4)</b>	<b>62 (12)</b>	<b>16 (3)</b>	<b>4 (1)</b>	<b>15 (3)</b>	<b>187 (37)</b>	<b>79 (15)</b>	<b>39 (8)</b>

**Abbreviations:** N, number; PREM, patient-reported experience measure; PROM, patient-reported outcome measure.

**Legend:** Eight studies published their results in different articles that were grouped for the analyses (105 articles, 93 original studies). “Other type” measures are not listed, explaining that the total of the measures in each category doesn’t match the total number of measures for studies 14, 16, 19, 22, 30, 36, 41, 65, 67, 87 (one “other type” measure for each, except for study 19 which had two “other type” measures). First column numbers correspond to reference numbers in Supplementary Text S2. The studies were ordered according to 1) setting (outpatient general care, outpatient general care and other, outpatient specialized care, long-term care and other, long-term care, inpatient, rehabilitation inpatient); 2) design (cluster RCT, RCT, prospective, retrospective); 3) drug class(es) targeted (see Table S2).