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FDA approved psychotropic medications list for child and adolescent psychiatric illnesses in Hawaii schools

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Around the turn of the 20th century, no federal regulations existed to protect the public from dangerous drugs. Medications that were not only ineffective, but also potentially harmful were sold to the general public. This is a drastically different picture from what exists today as the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is largely recognized as enforcing one of the world's most rigorous drug review processes. The public consumers generally trust the FDA to determine what medications are safe and effective, making the FDA approval a meaningful title to many patients. Having a readily accessible list of Child and Adolescent psychiatric disorders in the current US Pacific Military Medicine with the corresponding FDA approved psychotropic medications clearly listed would help facilitate conversation between providers, school behavioral health specialist, parents/guardians, and patients; improve Child and Adolescent rehabilitation; and prevent bad outcomes. Currently no such document is readily available to providers in the Department of Behavioral Health of our Medical center or Hawaii Schools.

Biography

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