



## Prior Authorization- ADHD Medications in Children Under 4 Years of Age

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### **FDA Approved Indication:**

Treatment of Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)

### **FDA Approved Formulary Agents:**

<u>Methylphenidate Immediate Release</u>	Ritalin, Methylin, Metadate
<u>Methylphenidate Sustained Release</u>	Ritalin SR, Methylin ER, Metadate ER
<u>Methylphenidate Long-Acting</u>	Concerta, Metadate CD, Ritalin LA
<u>Mixed Amphetamine Salts Immediate Release</u>	Adderall
<u>Mixed Amphetamine Salts Long-Acting</u>	Adderall XR
<u>Dextroamphetamine Immediate Release</u>	Dexedrine, Dextrostat
<u>Dextroamphetamine Long-Acting</u>	Dexedrine Spansule
<u>Selective Norepinephrine Reuptake Inhibitor</u>	Strattera

### **Safe and Appropriate Use Review-ADHD Medication in Children < 4yo in Non-Board Certified Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist**

#### **Guidelines for Approval:**

1. Identified Board Certified Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist will be exempt from prior authorization requirement.
2. The requesting clinician has documented that the child has a diagnosis of ADHD.
3. Psychosocial issues and non-medical interventions are being addressed by the clinical team.

#### **References:**

1. Manufacturer Product information.
2. AzDBHS Practice Protocol: Psychotropic Medication Use in Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults. [www.azdhs.gov/bhs/guidance/poly.pdf](http://www.azdhs.gov/bhs/guidance/poly.pdf)