

Table 1: Adverse Effects of Selected Medications Used in the Treatment of ADHD in Adults

MEDICATION	ADVERSE EFFECTS
<b>FDA-approved ADHD medications</b>	
Stimulants (e.g., methylphenidate [Ritalin], amphetamines)	Anorexia, dry mouth, gastrointestinal effects, generalized anxiety/pain, headache, insomnia, jitteriness, mild increase in blood pressure and pulse, moodiness, irritability
Atomoxetine (Strattera)	Anorexia, constipation, dry mouth, dysuria, erectile dysfunction/decreased libido, insomnia, liver damage (rare), mild appetite suppression, mild increase in diastolic blood pressure and pulse, nausea, sweating
<b>Off-label use medications</b>	
Bupropion (Wellbutrin)	Constipation, dry mouth, headache, insomnia, nausea, sweating
Clonidine extended-release (Kapvay)	Drowsiness, dizziness, fatigue, hypotension
Guanfacine extended-release (Intuniv)	Drowsiness, dizziness, fatigue, xerostoma
Desipramine	Anorexia, blurred vision, constipation, drowsiness, dry mouth, increase in blood pressure and pulse, insomnia, orthostatic hypotension, prolonged QT interval