



GERIMEDRISK

Frequently Asked Questions

What are the benefits of using GeriMedRisk?

- Access to an interdisciplinary team of geriatric specialists
- Use of telemedicine to support from a distance
- Response within 5 business days
- Consult letter and geriatric drug information provided to enhance practice and professional development

What are your hours of operation?

Our business hours are Monday to Friday from 9:00 am – 5:00pm. You can consult us on eConsult at any time, and we will respond within 5 business days.

Who can consult GeriMedRisk?

Physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Pharmacists; or their eConsult delegates, can access GeriMedRisk through the Ontario Telemedicine Network or Champlain Base eConsult and through our toll free-number.

What are some examples of questions that I can ask?

There is no geriatric clinical pharmacology or geriatric psychiatry question that is too complex or small. We can answer any patient-related questions including and not limited to:

- Could this (these) medication(s) be affecting my patient's cognition, behaviour, function and/or mobility?
- What medications can I use to manage my patient's mood or behavioral concerns?
- I have reviewed my patient's medications, and know that several should be stopped. I just want to run these changes and the deprescribing plan with someone experienced in geriatric pharmacology.
- Did my patient experience an adverse drug reaction or is there a drug-drug interaction? What are some alternatives?
- How can I optimize my patient's medications?

With additional specialists on your team, will I receive multiple conflicting consult letters?

No. At GeriMedRisk, we understand that having multiple prescribers can increase the risk of adverse drug events. As a result, we send back one coordinated consult letter with clinical agreement from all the specialists on our team.



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How do you include the patient's circle of care?

During each patient related consult, GeriMedRisk communicates with the patient's pharmacy, and consults available electronic medical record resources. We connect with the patient's MRP, and consult letters can be shared between other care providers to ensure continuity of care for the patient.

Do you offer any other educational opportunities in clinical pharmacology?

Yes, GeriMedRisk has Royal College Accredited Education Rounds (Group 1) occurring monthly via webcast. To receive an invitation to GeriMedRisk-Geriatric Clinical Pharmacology Rounds, please join our mailing list at www.gerimedrisk.com/mailling-list. We also offer a GeriMedRisk educational elective for medical trainees and pharmacy students to have the opportunity to come train with us on location, and through the use of telemedicine. In 2019, GeriMedRisk will start to offer a GeriMedRisk Clinical Fellowship through the McMaster University Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences department.

How is GeriMedRisk funded?

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Partnerships and Funding Support



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