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Subject: Do NOT permit psychologists to prescribe medications

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Psychologists do NOT have the training or adequate medical knowledge to safely prescribe medications for mental health nor do they have the training to understand complex drug interactions and interactions of psychoactive medications with other conditions/illnesses a patient might have. I have had many instances when psychologists have given "advice" to patients regarding medications that was incorrect and detrimental. Please do not permit psychologists to practice out of the standard range of their expertise and licensing. Thank you,

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