Table O.32: Aripiprazole versus risperidone in children and young people

Quality assessment						Summary of findings					
Participa nts (studies) Follow up	Risk of bias	Inconsistenc y	Indirectn ess	Imprecis ion	Publicati on bias	Overall quality of evidence	Study event rates (%)		Relativ e	Anticipated absolute effects	
							With Risperi done	With Aripipra zole	effect (95% CI)	Risk with Risperid one	Risk difference with Aripiprazole (95% CI)
Targeted behaviour that challenges (severity) – post-treatment (Better indicated by lower values)											
59 (1 study)	serio us ¹	no serious inconsistenc y	serious ²	very serious ³	undetect ed	⊕⊖⊖ VERY LOW¹,2,3 due to risk of bias, indirectness, imprecision	30	29			The mean targeted behaviour that challenges (severity) – post-treatment in the intervention groups was 0.38 standard deviations higher (0.14 lower to 0.9 higher)
Adverse (events (drowsiness, no	on-occurre	nce) – pos	t-treatment						
59 (1 study)	serio us ¹	no serious inconsistenc y	serious ²	very serious ³	undetect ed	⊕⊖⊖ VERY LOW¹,2,3 due to risk of bias, indirectness, imprecision	25/30 (83.3%)	23/29 (79.3%)	RR 0.95 (0.74 to 1.22)	833 per 1000	42 fewer per 1000 (from 217 fewer to 183 more)
Adverse events (seizure, non-occurrence) – post-treatment											
59 (1 study)	serio us ¹	no serious inconsistenc y	serious ²	very serious ³	undetect ed	⊕⊖⊖ VERY LOW¹,2,3 due to risk of bias, indirectness, imprecision	29/30 (96.7%)	29/29 (100%)	RR 1.03 (0.94 to 1.13)	967 per 1000	29 more per 1000 (from 58 fewer to 126 more)

Quality assessment							Summary of findings				
Adverse events (discontinuation due to adverse events, non-occurrence) – post-treatment											
59 (1 study)	serio us¹	no serious inconsistenc y	serious ²	very serious ³	undetect ed	⊕⊖⊖ VERY LOW¹,2,3 due to risk of bias, indirectness, imprecision	29/30 (96.7%)	29/29 (100%)	RR 1.03 (0.94 to 1.13)	967 per 1000	29 more per 1000 (from 58 fewer to 126 more)
Adverse events (discontinuation due to other reasons, non-occurrence) – post-treatment											
59 (1 study)	serio us ¹	no serious inconsistenc y	serious ²	very serious ³	undetect ed	⊕⊖⊖ VERY LOW¹,2,3 due to risk of bias, indirectness, imprecision	28/30 (93.3%)	27/29 (93.1%)	RR 1 (0.87 to 1.14)	933 per 1000	0 fewer per 1000 (from 121 fewer to 131 more)

Crucial limitation for one criterion or some limitations for multiple criteria sufficient to lower ones confidence in the estimate of effect
Applicability – different populations
Optimal information size not met; small, single study