

Disruptive Behavior Disorder or Severe Aggression in Children under Age 6



Level 0: Comprehensive diagnostic assessment

Level 1: Psychosocial intervention

- Evidence-based psychotherapeutic intervention (parent management training or parent-child interaction therapy) is first line treatment for 3-6 months

Level 2: Only in cases of severe impairment, severe aggression, or failure of psychosocial treatment

- Low dose risperidone

Level 3: Discontinuation trial after 6 months of any effective medication treatment

Not recommended:

- Use of medication without concurrent psychosocial treatment