Nonpharmacologic interventions for agitation and aggression in dementia

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To assess the efficacy, comparative effectiveness, and adverse effects of nonpharmacologic interventions for agitation and aggression in individuals with dementia.

Authors' conclusions
Although many trials have been conducted to determine effective nonpharmacologic interventions for agitation/aggression in dementia, which is a critical topic, the evidence base is weak because of the variety of comparisons, measurement issues, and other methodological limitations. When evidence was sufficient to draw conclusions about effectiveness for a group of interventions, agitation/aggression outcomes were typically similar to those of control groups. Future research is needed to guide providers and informal caregivers toward effective interventions for agitation/aggression in dementia.

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