

Management Table 477-8 lists several general recommendations for geriatric prescribing that should help make drug therapy more effective and safer in older patients, especially those with multimorbidity. **Chapter 67 also provides information on general principles of clinical pharmacology.** Because these patients often see multiple specialists, the internist should serve as the “quarterback” for all prescribing to help ensure adherence and minimize the potential for adverse drug effects. In hospital, PAC, and LTC settings, clinical pharmacists can be extremely helpful in achieving these recommendations and goals.

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