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I was surprised that the warning on use in under twos is not already in place, given that GP's were advised not prescribe these medications for this age group at least 5 years ago. I had assumed this was in place on the label.
I think there is generally less use of phenergan for sedation now and that the non-sedating antihistamines are far more widely used for allergy than the sedating preparations.
I think the last time I prescribed phenergan was for use in air travel and that was at the request of a parent at least a year ago.

I support the removal of the indication for anxiety as it has never been promoted as appropriate therapy by those in the child mental health field and is not used for such in the general practice setting to the best of my knowledge.

Regards

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