Approach To Tics

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Overview

• Tics are one of the hyperkinetic disorders that a physician might encounter in the clinic.
• It is crucial to differentiate tics from other hyperkinetic disorders and especially seizures.
• Tourette syndrome is the most common cause of tics.
• When to investigate for secondary causes?
• When and how to manage tics?
Objectives

• Define the phenomenology of tics.
• Differentiate from other hyperkinetic disorders.
• Overview on the etiology & pathophysiology.
• What important investigations to help guide in the diagnosis?
• Brief overview on Tourettes syndrome.
• When & how to manage tics.