

Smart Use of Medication for the Treatment of Adolescent Severe Obesity

Status: Recruiting

Eligibility Criteria

Sex: All

Age: 12 Years to 17 Years old

This study is NOT accepting healthy volunteers

Inclusion Criteria:

- Provision of signed and dated informed assent form;
- Provision of signed and dated informed parental consent form from at least 1 legal parent/guardian;
- Stated willingness to comply with all study procedures and availability for the duration of the study;
- BMI \geq 1.2 times the 95th percentile or BMI \geq 35 Kg/m², whichever is lower;
- Tanner stage \geq 2;
- Male or female, aged 12-17 at time of consenting;
- For females of reproductive potential: when sexually active, agreement to use highly effective contraception (oral contraceptive pill, intra-uterine device (IUD), or implant) during study participation;
- For males of reproductive potential: use of condoms or other methods to ensure effective contraception with partner.

Exclusion Criteria:

- Contraindications to phentermine or topiramate use according to package inserts, including: history of glaucoma; current or recent (< 14 days) use of monoamine oxidase inhibitor; known hypersensitivity to sympathomimetic amines; current pregnancy, plans to become pregnant, or if sexually active refusal to use 2 forms of birth control; history of cardiac disease including coronary artery disease; clinically significant cardiac arrhythmias; heart failure or uncontrolled hypertension;
- Diabetes (type 1 or 2);
- Presence of cardiac pacemaker;
- Current or recent (<6 months prior to enrollment) use of weight loss medication(s);
- Current use of weight-altering medication(s) (e.g., atypical antipsychotic, metformin) unless dose has been stable for past 6 months;
- Current use of other sympathomimetic amine such as attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) stimulants;
- Seizure disorder (other than infantile febrile seizure);
- Previous bariatric surgery;
- Recent initiation of change in dose (< 3 months prior to enrollment) of anti-hypertensive or lipid medication(s);
- Tobacco use
- History of or current diagnosis of schizophrenia, psychosis, mania, chemical dependency;
- Unstable depression or anxiety that has required hospitalization in the past year;
- Any history of suicide attempt;
- Suicidal ideation or self-harm within 12 months prior to enrollment;
- Bicarbonate < 18 mmol/L;
- Creatinine > 1.2 mg/dL;
- History of cholelithiasis;
- History of nephrolithiasis;
- Untreated thyroid disorder;
- Hyperthyroidism;
- Breastfeeding

Conditions & Interventions

Interventions:

Behavioral: Lifestyle Modification Therapy (LSMT), Drug: Phentermine Pill, Drug: Topiramate Pill

Conditions:

Adolescent Obesity

Keywords:

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More Information

Description: This is a single site, 2-staged sequential multiple assignment randomized trial (SMART) that will systematically examine: 1) the optimal timing (12- versus 24 weeks) for identifying non-responders to lifestyle modification therapy (LSMT) before starting adjunct pharmacotherapy with phentermine and 2) for non-responders to LSMT+phentermine, the relative effect of adding topiramate to LMST+phentermine versus switching to LSMT+topiramate monotherapy. All participants will receive a total of 48 weeks of intervention.

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