## Supporting Information S4. Proportion mediated model and source data

 $Proportion \ mediated = \sum_{m} P[Y=1|M=m] \ \times \ \{P[M=m|A=1] \ - \ P[M=m|A=0]\} \ \div \ \{P[Y=1|M=1] \ - \ P[Y=1|M=0]\}$ 

Table 1. Description and source data for components used to estimate the proportion mediated

Notation	Description	Data and population used to estimate
A	Exposure: type of antipsychotic (0=SGA, 1=FGA)	
M	Mediator: medical event occurrence within 6 months after initiating antipsychotic therapy (0=does not occur, 1=occurs)	
Y	Outcome: vital status at 6 months after initiating antipsychotic therapy (0=alive, 1=deceased)	
P[M=0 A=0]	6-month medical event free survival among SGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; SGA initiators with mean age over age 65
P[M=1 A=0]	6-month medical event risk among SGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; SGA initiators with mean age over age 65
P[M=0 A=1]	6-month medical event free survival among FGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; FGA initiators with mean age over age 65
P[M=1 A=1]	6-month medical event risk among FGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; FGA initiators with mean age over age 65
P[Y=1 M=0]	6-month mortality for persons who do not develop the medical event	U.S. Census mortality estimates; adults over age 65
P[Y=1 M=1]	6-month mortality for persons who develop the medical event	Clinical samples and general population studies; adults over 65 where possible
P[Y=1 A=0]	6-month mortality among SGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; SGA initiators with mean age over age 65
P[Y=1 A=1]	6-month mortality among FGA users	Studies based in retrospective claims data; FGA initiators with mean age over age 65