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Figure 1: Algorithm for the Evaluation of Chronic Insomnia

When using this diagram, the clinician should be aware that the presence of one diagnosis does not exclude other diagnoses in the same or another tier, as multiple diagnoses may coexist. Acute Adjustment Insomnia, not a chronic insomnia, is included in the chronic insomnia algorithm in order to highlight that the clinician should be aware that extrinsic stressors may trigger, perpetuate, or exacerbate the chronic insomnia.