Neuropsychiatric event

Exclude non-SLE related causes
- Infections (CSF, MRI with gadolinium), metabolic disturbances (blood chemistry), drug adverse effects

Favoring factors for primary NPSLE
- Generalized disease activity
- Previous major NPSLE
- (+) aPL
- Abnormal CNS imaging
- Abnormal CSF

Primary NPSLE likely

Presumed immune-mediated (eg. myelopathy, psychosis, confusion)

Immunosupresion
Glucocorticoids, others

Antidepressants

Adjunct therapy
Antidepressants, antipsychotics, anticonvulsants, anxiolytics

Secondary NPSLE likely

Presumed thrombotic

aPL (+)
Anticoagulants

aPL (-)
Antiplatelets

Treat accordingly