CARE case report guidelines

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report

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Topic	Item No	Checklist item description	Reported on Page Number/Line Number	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	1	The diagnosis or intervention of primary focus followed by the words “case report”	Page 1/Lines 2-3	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page 4/Lines 46-47	Abstract
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	Page 3/Lines 36-44	Abstract/First paragraph
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	Page 3/Lines 27-35	Abstract/First paragraph
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	Page 3/Lines 27-36	Abstract/First paragraph
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	Page 3/Lines 36-44	Abstract/First paragraph
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	Pages 5-6/Lines 70-74	Introduction/Second
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page 6/Line 77	Case Presentation/First
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page 6/Line 77-80	Case Presentation/First
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Pages 6-7/Lines 77-108	Case Presentation/First to
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Pages 6-7/Lines 77-108	Case Presentation/First to
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Pages 7/Lines 98-102	Case Presentation/Second
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Pages 6-8/Lines 77-119	Case Presentation/First to
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Pages	Case Presentation/First
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	None	None
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page 6/Lines 87-88	Case Presentation/First
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Page 6/Lines 87-88	Case Presentation/First
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page 6-8/lines 88-90,	Case Presentation/First to
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page 6-8/lines 89-92,	Case Presentation/First to
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Page 6-8/lines 89-92,	Case Presentation/First to

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Page 7/Lines 110-111	Case Presentation/Second
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Page 7/Lines 107-108	Case Presentation/Second
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Page 7/Lines 112-113	Case Presentation/Second
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Page 7/Lines 112-113	Case Presentation/Second
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Pages 10-11/Lines	Discussion/First paragraph
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	Pages 9-11/Lines 123-178	Discussion/First to third
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page 9/Lines 150-163	Discussion/Second
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page 11/Lines 184-194	Discussion/Sixth
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	Not applicable	
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐

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