

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report





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	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	line 34-35	Key words
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	line 1-11	Abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	line 13-18	Abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	line 20-24	Abstract
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	line 26-33	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	line 40-53	Introduction
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	line 60	Case presentation
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	line 60-61	Case presentation
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	line 60	Case presentation
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	line 61-65	Case presentation
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	line 67-73	Case presentation
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	n/a	n/a
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	line 68-73	Case presentation
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	n/a	n/a
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	line 182-185	Conclusion
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	n/a	n/a
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	line 101-138	Operation
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	n/a	n/a
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	n/a	n/a

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	line 126-138	Operation
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	line 126-138	Operation
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	line 126-138	Operation
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	n/a	n/a
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	n/a	n/a
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	line 142-178	Discussion
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	line 142-178	Discussion
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	line 187-189	Conclusion
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	n/a	n/a
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes X	No 🗌

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