

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 line 3	title page
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	page 3 line 43-44	abstract
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	page 3 line 38-41	abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	page 3 line 26-30	abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	page 3 line 30-38	abstract
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	page 3 line 39-41	abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	page 4 line 60-62	introduction
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	page 4 line 66	Case
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	page 4 line 66	Case
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	page 4 line 67-68	Case
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	page 4 line 66-70	Case
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	page 4-5 line 66-72	Case
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	page 4 line 66-88, figure1	Case
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	page 5 line 72-77	Case
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	page 5 line 89-90	Case
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	page 5 line 76-79	Case
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	page 5 line 85-88	Case
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	page 5 line 81-86	Case
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	page 5 line 81-86	Case
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	page 5 line 81-83	Case

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	page 5 line 86-87	Case
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	page 5 line 87-88	Case
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	page 5 line 86-87	Case
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	page 6 line 98-100	Case
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	page 8 line 137-142	Discussion
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	page 6-8 line 106-142	Discussion
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	page 6-7 line 107-122	Discussion
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	page 8 line 143-146	Discussion
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	page 9 line 161-162	Foot note
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes	No 🔾

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