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/Line 2	Paragraph 1
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page 2/Line 8-10	paragraph 2
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	Page 2/Line 3-6	paragraph 3
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	Page 1/Line 20-29	paragraph 3
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	Page 1/Line 30-31;Page 2/Line 1-6	paragraph 3;paragraph 1
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	Page 2/Line 6-7	paragraph 1
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	Page 2/Line 11-31	paragraph 3
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page 3/Line 2-3	paragraph 1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page 3/Line 2	paragraph 1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Page 3/Line 2-3	paragraph 1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	NA	NA
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Page 3/Line 3-17	paragraph 1
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Page 3;Page 4/Line 1-1[illegible]	paragraph 1-2;paragrap[illegible]
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Page 3/Line 3-17	paragraph 1
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	Page 3/Line 10-14	paragraph 1
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page 3/Line 10-14	paragraph 1
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Page 4/Line 9-12	paragraph 1
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page 3/Line 20-21,28-31;Page 4/ Line 4-8	paragraph 2;paragraph 1-2
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page 3/Line 20-21,28-31;Page 4/ Line 4-8	paragraph 2;paragraph 1-2
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Page 3/Line 20-21,28-31;Page 4/ Line 4-8	paragraph 2;paragraph 1-2

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Page 4/Line 6-10	paragraph 2
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Page 4/Line 6-10	paragraph 2
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Page 4/Line 6-10	paragraph 2
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Page 4/Line 23-33	paragraph 2
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Page 4/Line 31-32,Page 5/Line 1-34	paragraph 4,paragraph 1-3
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	Page5/Line 4-8,18-21	paragraph 1,2
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page 5/Line 21-23	paragraph 2
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page 5/Line 34,Page 6/1-4	paragraph 4,paragraph 1
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	Page 6/Line 13-15	paragraph 4
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☐

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