

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"	line 1	title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	line 41	key words
	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	line 25 to line 39	abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	line 25 to line 39	abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	line 25 to line 39	abstract
Abstract (no references)	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	line 25 to line 39	abstract
	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	line 45 to line 59	introduction
	Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	line 61 to line 92
5b		Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
5c		Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
5d		Relevant past interventions with outcomes	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	line 93 to line 167	di scoussi on
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	line 93 to line 167	di scoussi on
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	line 93 to line 167	di scoussi on
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	line 93 to line 167	di scoussi on
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	line 61 to line 92	case presentation
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

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