

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"	Yes/1,9	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Yes/9	Keywords
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	Yes/23	Abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	Yes/ 21	Abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	Yes/21-23	Abstract
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	Yes/30-31	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	Yes/42-45	Introduction
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Yes/48	Case presentation/Para. 1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Yes/49, 54	Case presentation/Para. 1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Yes/50	Case presentation/Para. 1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Yes/51	Case presentation/Para. 1
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Yes/49-55	Case presentation/Para. 1
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	NA	NA
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Yes/51-53	Case presentation/Para. 1
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	NA	NA
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Yes/52	Case presentation/Para. 1
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Yes 61	Case presentation/Para. 1
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Yes /57-59	Case presentation/Para. 1
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	NA	NA
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Yes/58	Case presentation/Para. 1

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Yes/60	Case presentation/Para. 1
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Yes /60	Case presentation/Para. 1
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Yes/60	Case presentation/Para. 1
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Yes /60	Case presentation/Para. 1
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Yes/74-107	Disussion/Para. 1
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	Yes/74-107	Disussion/Para. 1
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Yes 74-107	Disussion/Para. 1
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Yes 109-111	Conclusion
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	Yes/61	Case presentation/Para. 1
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes 🗸	No 🗌

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