

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report



Topic	Item No	Checklist item description	Reported on Page Number/Line	Reported on Section/Paragraph
Title	1	The diagnosis or intervention of primary focus followed by the words "case report"	Page 1/ Line 3	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page 3/ L 51-53	Key words
Abstract (Structured summary)	3a	Background: state what is known and unknown; why the case report is unique and what it adds to existing literature.	Page 2/ L 22-25	Abstract
	3b	Case Description: describe the patient's demographic details, main symptoms, history, important clinical findings, the main diagnosis, interventions, outcomes and follow-ups.	Page 2/ L 26-46	Abstract
	3c	Conclusions: summarize the main take-away lesson, clinical impact and potential implications.	Page 3/ L 47-49	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	Page 4/ L 56-73	Introduction/ Paragraph 1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page 5/ L 90	Case report/Paragraph 2
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page 6/ L 91-93	Case report/Paragraph 2
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Page 5/ L 90-95	Case report/Paragraph 2
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Page 5/ L 90-95	Case report/Paragraph 2
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Page 6/ L 95-96	Case report/Paragraph 2
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Page 7/ L 114-165	Case report/Paragraph 3
	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Page 6/ L 96-113	Case report/Paragraph 2
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	Page 7/ L 115-121	Case report/Paragraph 3
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page 7/ L 121-124	Case report/Paragraph 3
Therapeutic Intervention	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Page 9/ L 153-157	Case report/Paragraph 6
	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page 7/ L 114-151	Case report/Parag 3,4,5
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page 7/ L 114-115	Case report/Paragraph 3
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Page 7/ L 115-124	Case report/Paragraph 3

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Page 9/ L 160-161	Case report/Paragraph 7
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Page 10/ L 164-165	Case report/Paragraph 7
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Page 9/ L 160-161	Case report/Paragraph 7
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Page 9/ L 160-161	Case report/Paragraph 7
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Page 10/ L 168-183	Discussion/ paragraph 1
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	Page 11/ L 184-201	Discussion/ paragraph 2,3
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page 12/ L 202-221	Discussion/ paragraph 4
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page 13/ L 222-228	Discussion/ paragraph 5
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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

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