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	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	page 2 / line 9	KeyWords
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	page 1 / line 20-22	Abstract
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	page 2 / line 1-4	Abstract
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	p1/ line 22, p2/line1-3, 5	Abstract
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	page 2 / line 6-7	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	page 2 / line 12-20	introduction
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	page 3 / line 3	Case Presentation / para 1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	page 3 / line 4-5	Case Presentation / para 1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	page 3 / line 5-8	Case Presentation / para 1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	page 3 / line 6-7	Case Presentation / para 1
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	page 3 / line 9-14	Case Presentation / para 2
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	table 1, figure 6	table 1, figure 6
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	p3/line9-22, p4 / line1-11	Case Presentation /para 2-4
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	p4 / line 7-10, p5/line1-2	Case Presentation/para 4-5
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	page 4 / line 12-14	Case Presentation/ para 5
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	page 4 / line 14	Case Presentation / para 5
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	p4/ l 15,19-21; p5 /l 5,9-10	Case Presentation / para 5
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	p4/l 16-17,22; p5 / l 8-9	Case Presentation / para 5
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	page 4 / line 17-19	Case Presentation / para 5

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	page 5 / line 7	Case Presentation / para 5
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	page 5 / line 12-15	Case Presentation / para 5
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	page 5 / line 11-12	Case Presentation / para 5
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	N/A	Did not happen
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	p6/ l 18-22; p7/l 3-5,16-22	Discussion / para 3-4
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	p5/line 18-22; p6/line 1-12	Discussion / para 1-2
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	page 8 / line 22-23	Discussion/para5
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	page 9 / line 3-8	Discussion / para 6
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	page 8 / line 21	Discussion / para 5
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐

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