

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"	Page1/Line1	Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page1/Line34	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.	Page1/Line16	Abstract
	3b	Case Description: describe the patient's demographic details, main symptoms, history, important clinical findings, the main diagnosis, interventions, outcomes and follow-ups.	Page1/Line20	Abstract
	3c	Conclusions: summarize the main take-away lesson, clinical impact and potential implications.	Page1/Line26	Abstract
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	Page1/Line36	Introduction/Parag raph1.
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page2/Line51	Case/Paragraph1.
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page2/Line61	Case/Paragraph2.
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Page2/Line51	Case/Paragraph1.
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	NA	NA
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Page2/Line63	Case/Paragraph2.
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Page3/Line74	Case/Paragraph3.
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Page2/Line63	Case/Paragraph2.
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	NA	NA
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page3/Line68	Case/Paragraph3.
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Page3/Line71	Case/Paragraph3.
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page3/Line70	Case/Paragraph3.
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page3/Line71	Case/Paragraph3.
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	NA	NA

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Page3/Line73	Case/Paragraph3.
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	NA	NA
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Page3/Line70	Case/Paragraph3.
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	N/A	NA
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Page4/Line81	Discussion/Paragr aph1.
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	Page4/Line94	Discussion/Paragr aph1.
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page6/Line104	Discussion/Paragr aph2-5.
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page6/Line115	Discussion/Paragr aph1.
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	Page8/Line167	Patient perspective/ Paragraph1-3.
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes	No 🗹

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