

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"	Pg 1/Line 3 and 4	Sect: Title
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Pg 1/Line 7,8,9	Sect: Abstract/ Para 1
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	Pg 1/Line 6-9; 10-11	Sect: Abstract/ Para 1
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	Pg 1/Line 7-9	Sect: Abstract/ Para 1
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	Pg 1/Line 7-9	Sect: Abstract/ Para 1
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	Pg 1/Line 10-11	Sect: Abstract/ Para 1
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	Pg 1/Line 15-20	Sect: Intro/ Para 1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Pg 1/Line 24	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Pg 2/ Line 26-30	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Pg 2/Line 24-25	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Pg 2/Line 25-27	Sect: Case/ Para 1
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Pg 2/Line 27-29	Sect: Case/ 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).	Pg 2/Line 31-40; 43-45	Sect: Case/ Para 1-2
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	No diagnostic challenges	NA
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Pg 2/Line 35-36	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Pg 2/Line 24-25	Sect: Case/ Para 1
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Pg 2/Line 37-39	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Pg 2/Line 36-39	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Pg 2/Line 40-42	Sect: Case/ Para 1

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Pg 2/Line 39-42	Sect: Case/ Para 1
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Pg 3/Line 43-49	Sect: Case/ Para 2
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Pg 3/Line 45-48	Sect: Case/ Para 2
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Pg 3/Line 43-45	Sect: Case/ Para 2
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Pg 3-5/Line 64 -88	Sect: Discussion/ Para 2-3
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	Pg 3/Line 54-99	Sect:Discussion/Para 1-4
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Pg 4-5/Line 91-99	Sect: Discussion/ Para 4
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Pg 5/Line 100-105	Sect: Discussion/ Para 5
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	NA	NA
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes	No X

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