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, Paragraph 1
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	Page 2, Line 45	Keywords, Paragraph 1
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	Page 3, Line 63	Abstract, Paragraph 1
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	Page 3, Line 55	Abstract, Paragraph 1
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	Page 3, Line 61	Abstract, Paragraph 1
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	Included in Conclusion	Conclusion, Paragraph 1
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	Page 3, Line 66	Introduction, Paragraph 1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	Page 4, Line 80	Case Presentation,
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	Page 4, Line 81	Case Presentation,
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	Page 4, Line 87	Case Presentation,
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	Page 4, Line 84	Case Presentation,
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	Page 4, Line 91	Case Presentation,
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	Page 5, Line 111	Case Presentation,
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	Page 5, Line 100	Case Presentation,
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	Not included as no issues	Not included as no issues
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	Page 6, Line 122	Case Presentation,
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	Not included as not	Not included as not
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	Page 6, Line 123	Case Presentation,
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	Page 6, Line 123	Case Presentation,
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	Not included as no change	Not included as no change

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	Page 6, Line 125	Case Presentation,
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	Page 6, Line 129	Case Presentation,
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	Page 6, Line 127	Case Presentation,
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	Page 6, Line 127	Case Presentation,
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	Page 6, Line 134	Discussion, Paragraph 1
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	Page 7, Line 148	Discussion, Paragraph 2
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	Page 6, Line 136	Discussion, Paragraph 1
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	Page 9, Line 209	Conclusion, Paragraph 1
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	Not included as patient	Not included as patient
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☐

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