

CARE Checklist of information to include when writing a case report





Topic	Item	Checklist item description	Reported on Line
Title	1	The diagnosis or intervention of primary focus followed by the words "case report"	2
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	35
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	24-26
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	27-29
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	<u>26-31</u> 31-34
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main "take-away" lesson(s) from this case?	31-34
ntroduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique (may include references)	47-64
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information.	<u>66-70</u> 68-78
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	68-78
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	67-68
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	66-68
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	102
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys)	72-78 & 97-101
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	105-107 & 110- 119
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	72-78 & 97-101
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	70.06
	9с	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	07.06
Follow-up and	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	97-101
Outcomes	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	97_101
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	114-122
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	occurred)
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	105-122
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature with references	104-122
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	125-134
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	125-134
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	Yes √