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 1,2	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/LINES 32.33	KEYWORDS/PARAGRA
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	PAGE 2/LINES22,23	ABSTRACT7PARAGRA
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	PAGE 2/LINE 24,25	ABSTRACT/PARAGRAP
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	PAGE 2/LINES 26-28	ABSTRACT/PARAGRAP
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	PAGE 2/LINES 29,30	ABSTRACT/PARAGRAP
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	PAGE 3/LINES 43-53	INTRODUCTION/PARA
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	PAGE 3/LINE 55	CASE
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	PAGE 3/LINES 56,57	CASE
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	PAGE 3/LINES 55-57	CASE
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	NOT APPLICABLE	-
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	PAGE 3/LINE 67	CASE
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	NOT APPLICABLE	-
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	PAGE 3/LINES 58-68	CASE
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	NOT APPLICABLE	-
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	PAGE 3/LINES 59-62	CASE
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	NOT APPLICABLE	-
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	PAGE 4/LINES 70-73	CASE
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	PAGES 4/LINES 74-95	SURGICAL
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	NOT APPLICABLE	-

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	PAGE 5/LINES 110-119	SURGICAL
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	PAGE 5/LINES 114-116	SURGICAL
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	NOT APPLICABLE	-
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	NOT APPLICABLE	-
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	PAGE 7/LINES 162-168	DISCUSSION/PARAGR
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	PAGE 5/LINES 118,119	DISCUSSION/PARAGR
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	PAGE 6/LINES 146-161	DISCUSSION/PARAGR
	11d	The primary "take-away" lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	PAGE 7/LINES 165-168	DISCUSSION/PARAGR
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	NOT APPLICABLE	-
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐

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