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”	p. 1/line(s) 2	Title page/N/A
Key Words	2	2 to 5 key words that identify diagnoses or interventions in this case report, including "case report"	p. 2/line(s) 34	Abstract/par. 2
Abstract (no references)	3a	Introduction: What is unique about this case and what does it add to the scientific literature?	p. 2/line(s) 41-47	Abstract/par. 1
	3b	Main symptoms and/or important clinical findings	p. 2/line(s) 29-32	Abstract/par. 1
	3c	The main diagnoses, therapeutic interventions, and outcomes	p. 2/line(s) 31-41	Abstract/par. 1
	3d	Conclusion—What is the main “take-away” lesson(s) from this case?	p. 2/line(s) 41-47	Abstract/par. 1
Introduction	4	One or two paragraphs summarizing why this case is unique **(may include references)**	p. 3/line(s) 57-62	Introduction/par. 1
Patient Information	5a	De-identified patient specific information	p. 4/line(s) 66	Case Report/par. 1
	5b	Primary concerns and symptoms of the patient	p. 3/line(s) 66-69	Case Report/par. 1
	5c	Medical, family, and psycho-social history including relevant genetic information	p. 3/line(s) 66	Case Report/par. 1
	5d	Relevant past interventions with outcomes	N/A	N/A
Clinical Findings	6	Describe significant physical examination (PE) and important clinical findings	p. 4/line(s) 66-69	Case Report/par. 1
Timeline	7	Historical and current information from this episode of care organized as a timeline	p. 4/line(s) 66-78	Case Report/par. 1
Diagnostic Assessment	8a	Diagnostic testing (such as PE, laboratory testing, imaging, surveys).	p. 4/line(s) 69-78	Case Report/par. 1
	8b	Diagnostic challenges (such as access to testing, financial, or cultural)	N/A	N/A
	8c	Diagnosis (including other diagnoses considered)	p. 4; 5/line(s) 76-77; 91-95	Case Report/par. 1; 3
	8d	Prognosis (such as staging in oncology) where applicable	N/A	N/A
Therapeutic Intervention	9a	Types of therapeutic intervention (such as pharmacologic, surgical, preventive, self-care)	p. 4/line(s) 79-84	Case Report/par. 2
	9b	Administration of therapeutic intervention (such as dosage, strength, duration)	pp. 4-5/line(s) 79-90	Case Report/par. 2
	9c	Changes in therapeutic intervention (with rationale)	N/A	N/A

Follow-up and Outcomes	10a	Clinician and patient-assessed outcomes (if available)	p. 5/line(s) 89-90	Case Report/par. 2
	10b	Important follow-up diagnostic and other test results	p. 5/line(s) 96-98	Case Report/par. 4
	10c	Intervention adherence and tolerability (How was this assessed?)	N/A	N/A
	10d	Adverse and unanticipated events	N/A	N/A
Discussion	11a	A scientific discussion of the strengths AND limitations associated with this case report	p. 7/line(s) 130-142	Discussion/par. 3
	11b	Discussion of the relevant medical literature **with references**	pp. 6-7/line(s) 105-142	Discussion/par. 1-3
	11c	The scientific rationale for any conclusions (including assessment of possible causes)	p. 7/line(s) 130-142	Discussion/par. 3
	11d	The primary “take-away” lessons of this case report (without references) in a one paragraph conclusion	p. 7/line(s) 144-146	Discussion/par. 4
Patient Perspective	12	The patient should share their perspective in one to two paragraphs on the treatment(s) they received	N/A	N/A
Informed Consent	13	Did the patient give informed consent? Please provide if requested	**Yes** ☑	**No** ☐

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