**CARE Checklist – 2016: Information for writing a case report**

 **Topic Item Checklist item description Line/Page**

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| **Title**  |  **1** | The words “case report” should be in the title along with the area of focus |  |  |  | P1, L3\_ |
| **Key Words**  |  **2** | Four to seven key words—include “case report” as one of the key words |  |  |  | P3, L53-54 |
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| **Abstract**  |  **3a** **3b** | Background: What does this case report add to the medical literature? Case summary: chief complaint, diagnoses, interventions, and outcomes  |  |  |   | P3, L37-38P3, L39-48 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  |  **3c** | Conclusion: What is the main “take-away” lesson from this case?  |  |  |  | P3, L49-52 |
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| **Introduction**  |  **4** | The current standard of care and contributions of this case—with references (1-2 paragraphs) |  |  |  | P5-6, L67-92 |
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| **Timeline**  |  **5** | Information from this case report organized into a timeline (table or figure) |  |  |  | P6-7, L93-142 |
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| **Patient Information**  |  **6a** **6b** | De-identified demographic and other patient or client specific information Chief complaint—what prompted this visit? |  |  |  | P6-7,L 109-115P6-7, L122-126\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  |  **6c** | Relevant history including past interventions and outcomes  |  |  |   | P6-9, L12-126 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Physical Exam**  |  **7** | Relevant physical examination findings  |  |  |   | P7-8, L122-126 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Diagnostic Assessment**  |  **8a** **8b** **8c** **8d** | Evaluations such as surveys, laboratory testing, imaging, etc. Diagnostic reasoning including other diagnoses considered and challengesConsider tables or figures linking assessment, diagnoses and interventionsPrognostic characteristics where applicable  |   |   |   | P7-8,L22-142 |
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| **Interventions**  |  **9a** | Types such as life-style recommendations, treatments, medications, surgery  |  |  |   | P8-9, L129-147 |
|  |  **9b** | Intervention administration such as dosage, frequency and duration  |  |  |   | P8-9, L143-163 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  |  **9c** | Note changes in intervention with explanation  |  |  |   | P8-9, L143-163 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|   |  **9d** | Other concurrent interventions  |  |  |   |  N/a |
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| **Follow-up and Outcomes**  |  **10a** **10b** **10c** | Clinician assessment (and patient or client assessed outcomes when appropriate)Important follow-up diagnostic evaluationsAssessment of intervention adherence and tolerability, including adverse events  |  |  |   | P9, L164-166  |
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| **Discussion**  |  **11a** | Strengths and limitations in your approach to this case  |  |  |   | P10-17, L168-178 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|   |  **11b** | Specify how this case report informs practice or Clinical Practice Guidelines (CPG)  |  |  |   |  P10-17, L179-201 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|   |  **11c** | How does this case report suggest a testable hypothesis?  |  |  |   | P10-17, 202-319 |
|  |  **11d** | Conclusions and rationale  |  |  |   | P17-18, L321-329-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Patient Perspective**  |  **12** | When appropriate include the assessment of the patient or client on this episode of care  |  |  |   |  N/a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
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| **Informed Consent**  |  **13** | Informed consent from the person who is the subject of this case report is required by most journals  |  |  |   | P19, L319-321\_\_ |
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**Additional Information 14** Acknowledgement section; Competing Interests; IRB approval when required

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