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Medical & EMS Abbreviations

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[Aa]

A&O, A+O	alert and oriented
A&P	anterior and posterior, auscultation and palpation.
A&P	auscultation and percussion.
A/V	arteriovenous.
AAA	abdominal aortic aneurysm.
ABC	airway, breathing, and circulation
ABCDE	airway, breathing, circ, disability, expose
Abd	abdomen/abdominal
ABG	arterial blood gases.
ABS	arterial blood pressure.
AC	Acromioclavicular (joint), Anticubital
ac	before meals
ACE	angiotensin converting enzyme.
Ach	acetylcholine.
ACLS	advanced cardiac life support.
AD	Right ear
ad lib	as desired
ADH	Antidiuretic hormone
ADL	activities of daily living
adm	admission
AED	automated external defibrillator.
AF	atrial fibrillation, atrial flutter.
Afib	atrial fibrillation.
AFL	atrial flutter
AFP	alpha-fetoprotein
AHA	<u>American Heart Association.</u>
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.
AKA	Also Known As, Above Knee Amputation
ALS	Advanced Life Support
ALT	Alanine aminotransferase (formerly SGPT)
ALVF	acute left ventricular failure.
am	morning
AMA	against medical advice
amb	ambulation
AMI	acute myocardial infarction
amp	ampoule
amt	amount
ANA	antinuclear antibody
ANS	autonomic nervous system.
ANT	anterior.



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AP	anterior/posterior
APX	approximant
AQ	water
ARDS	acute/adult respiratory distress syndrome.
ARF	acute renal failure.
AS	Left ear
ASA	Aspirin
ASAP	As Soon As Possible
ASD	atrial septal defect.
ASHD	Atherosclerotic Heart Disease
ASO	Antistreptolysin-O
AST	aspartate aminotransferase (formerly SGOT)
ATF	arrived To Find
ATLE	apparent life threatening event
ATLS	advanced trauma life support
ATS	<u>American Trauma Society.</u>
AU	Both ears
AV	arteriovenous, artificial ventilation, assisted ventilation, atrioventricular.
aVL	unipolar limb lead on the left arm in ecg
AVF	arteriovenous fistula.
ax	auxiliary

[Bb]

BAB	Babinski's sign.
BAC	blood alcohol concentration
bact	Bacteriology
BAV	bicuspid aortic valve.
BB	beta blocker.
BBB	bundle branch block.
BB/CC	back board and cervical collar
BCLS	Basic Cardiac Life Support
BD	(Lat: bis die) twice a day.
BG	blood glucose
BGL	blood glucose level
BHT	blunt head trauma.
bid	Twice a day



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bilat	bilateral.
BKA	Below Knee Amputation
BLQ	both lower quadrants.
BLS	basic life support.
BLS-D	basic life support and defibrillation.
BM	blood monitoring, Bowel Movement
BMR	basal metabolic rate
BO	bowel opening, body odor
BP, B/P	blood pressure
BPH	Benign Prostatic Hypertrophy
bpm	beats per minute.
BS	Bowel Sounds/Breath Sounds/Blood Sugar
BSA	body surface area.
BSS	Balanced Salt Solution
BTLS	basic trauma life support.
BTx	blood transfusion.
Buc	Bucc, buccal.
BUN	Blood Urea Nitrogen
BUQ	both upper quadrants.
BVM	bag-valve-mask.
BX, Bx	Biopsy

[Cc]

C	Celsius, centigrade, complement
Ca	Calcium
CA, Ca, ca	Cancer, carcinoma
C1...C7	Cervical nerve 1 through 7
C&C	cold and clammy.
C&S	Culture and sensitivity
C/C	chief complaint.
C02	carbon dioxide.
CABG	coronary artery bypass graft.
CAD	coronary artery disease, Computer Aided Dispatch.
CAO	Conscious, Alert, and Oriented
CAPD	continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis.
Caps	Capsules
CAT	computer axial tomography



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CATH	Catheter
CBC	Complete blood count
c-cath	Cardiac catheterization
c-section	Cesarean Section
c-spine	Cervical Spine
c/o	Complaining of
cc	Cubic centimeter
CCB	calcium channel blocker.
CCF	congestive cardiac failure.
CCU	Coronary Care Unit
CD	caudad, caudal.
CEA	Carcinoembryonic antigen
cg	Centigram
CH	chest.
CHD	coronary heart disease.
CHF	congestive heart failure.
CHR	chronic.
CI	cardiac insufficiency.
CI	cerebral infarction.
CK	Creatine kinase
Cl	Chloride
CLL	Chronic lymphocytic leukemia
cm	Centimeter
CMP	cardiomyopathy.
CNS	central nervous system.
CO	carbon monoxide, cardiac output.
COAD	chronic obstructive airways disease.
Code	Full Cardiac Arrest
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.
COMP	Compound
cont	Continued
CO2	Carbon dioxide
CP	cerebral palsy, chest pain.
CPR	cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
CPK	Creatine phosphokinase
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
CRF	Chronic Renal Failure
CRVF	congestive right ventricular failure.
CS	cardiogenic shock.
CSF	cerebrospinal fluid.
CT	Computed tomography, cat scan
CTA	clear to auscultation.
CTS	carpal tunnel syndrome
cu	cubic
CV	cardiac volume.



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CVA	cerebrovascular accident (stroke).
CX	chest x-ray.
CXPN	chest pain
CXR	chest x-ray

[Dd]

D&C	dilatation and curettage
D&V, D/V	diarrhoea and vomiting.
D/C	discontinue
d/t	due to
D/W	Dextrose in water
D50W	Dextrose 50% in water
D5W	Dextrose 5% in water
DBP	diastolic blood pressure.
decub	Decubitus ulcer
DIB	Difficulty in breathing
DIC	disseminated intravascular coagulation
DIFF, diff	differential blood count
DIL	dilated.
DIP	distal interphalangeal (joint)
DIST	distal.
DKA	diabetic ketoacidosis.
dl	Decliter (100 ml)
DM	diabetes mellitus.
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic acid
DNR	do not resuscitate.
DO	divisions officer, doctor of osteopathy
DOA	dead on arrival
DOB	date of birth.
DOS	dead on scene
DP	diastolic pressure, Dorsalis pedis
DPT	diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus
drsg	dressing
DSA	Digital subtraction angiography
DT	delirium tremens.
DTR	deep tendon reflex/es.
DU	duodenal ulcer.
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
DX, Dx, dx	diagnosis, discharged, or disease.



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[Ee]

EA	electrical activity.
EAA	effective alveolar air.
EBL	estimated blood loss.
EBM	evidence-based medicine.
ECA	external carotid artery.
ECF	extracellular fluid.
ECG, EKG	electrocardiogram.
ECHO	Echocardiogram
ECT	electroconvulsive therapy.
ED	Emergency Department
EDC	Estimated date of confinement
EDV	end diastolic volume.
EEG	electroencephalogram.
ENT	ear, nose and throat.
EF	ectopic focus.
EMD	Electrical Mechanical Disassociation (Cardiac Arrest)
EMD	Eye Movement Desensitization
EMG	Electromyogram
EMPD	Emergency Medical Priority Dispatch
EMS	emergency medical service.
EMT	emergency medical technician.
EMT-B	Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
EMT-P	Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic
ENT	Ear, nose, and throat
EPF	epiphyseal plate fracture.
Epi	Epinephrine
ERA	Estroadiol receptor assay
ESR	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate
ET	Endotracheal
ETA	Estimated time of arrival
ETCO2	End Tidal CO2
etiol	Etiology
ETOH	Alcohol
ETT	endotracheal tube.
EUP	eupneic.
eval	Evaluate
exam	Examination
exc	Excision
EXT	extend, extremity



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[Ff]

F	fahrenheit, female
FA	forearm
F/U	follow-up
F & E	flexion & extension.
FAQ	frequently asked questions.
FB	foreign body.
FBC	full blood count.
FBS	Fasting blood sugar
FD	Fire Department
FDA	Food and Drug Administration
FDGB	Fall down - Go boom
Fe	iron
flex	flexion
FR	fracture.
FSH	Follicle-stimulating hormone
ft	Foot, feet, (measure)
FTP	Full term pregnancy.
FUO	Fever of undetermined origin
Fx	fracture

[Gg]

g, gm	gram.
G-tube	gastrostomy tube
G6PD	Glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase
GA	general anaesthetic/anesthesia.
gastroc	Gastrocnemius
GB	gallbladder
GC	gonococcus
GCS	Glasgow coma score
GE	gastroesophageal
GERD	gastroesophageal reflux disease
GFR	Glomerular filtration rate
GI	Gastrointestinal
gluc	glucose.



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GM	grand mal (epilepsy).
gm	grams
GOA	Gone on arrival
GP	General practitioner
gr	Grain
GRAV, Grav., gravida	a pregnant woman.
GSW	Gunshot wound
gt, gtt, gtts	Drop, drops
GTN	Glyciril tri-nitrate.
GTT	Glucose tolerance test
GU	gastric ulcer.
GU	Genitourinary.
GUM	Genitourinary medicine.external; extremity.
Gyn	gynecology

[Hh]

H/A	Headache
h20	water
h202	hydrogen peroxide
HAZ MAT	Hazardous materials
Hb	Hemoglobin
Hbp	high blood pressure.
HBV	Hepatitis B Virus
HCG	Human chorionic gonadotropin
HCl	Hydrochloric acid, hydrochloride
HCO3	bicarbonate.
HCT	hematocrit.
HD	hemodialysis.
HDC	high-dose chemotherapy.
HDL	High-density lipoprotein
HDN	Hemolytic disease of the newborn
HEAR	Hospital Emergency Area Radio
HEENMT	head, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, and throat
HDU	High dependency unit
HF	heart failure.
Hg	Mercury
Hgb	Hemoglobin
HGH	Human growth hormone
HI	Hemagglutination inhibition
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus.



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HLA	Human leukocyte antigen
HO	history of.
HO	house officer.
HOCM	hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy.
HOH	hard of hearing.
HPI	history of present illness.
HR	heart rate.
Hr	Hour
HS,hs, h.s.	At bedtime, hour of sleep, and heart sounds.
HSV	herpes simplex virus.
HT. ht	hypertension, height
HTN	hypertension.
HX	History
Hz	Hertz (cycles per second)

[Ii]

I&E	internal and external.
I&O	Intake and output
I/C	Instructor Coordinator
IABP	Intra-aortic balloon pump
IBD	inflammatory bowel disease.
IBS	irritable bowel syndrome.
IC	intracerebral, Incident Command
ICF	intracerebral fluid, intracellular fluid.
ICP	intracranial pressure.
ICS	intercostal space, Incident Command System
ICU	intensive care unit.
ID	infectious disease, intradermal, Identification.
IDD	insulin dependent diabetes.
IDDM	insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, (type I)
IF	index finger
IHD	ischemic heart disease.
IHR	intrinsic heart rate.
IHSS	idiopathic hypertrophic subaortic stenosis
IM	intramuscular.
INF	infarction.
inf	Inferior
INJ	injury.
inj	Inject
int	internal.



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IO	intraosseous.
IPPB	Intermittent positive-pressure breathing
IPPV	intermittent positive pressure ventilation.
IPS	initial patient survey
IR	internal rotation, incident report
IRE	internal rotation in extension.
IRF	internal rotation in flexion.
irreg	irregular
irrig	irrigation
ISH	isolated systolic hypertension.
ITU	Intensive Therapy Unit.
IU	intrauterine, International unit
IUD	Intrauterine device
IV, I/V	intravenous, intervertebral, intravascular.
IVC	inferior vena cava.
IVDA	intravenous drug abuse
IVP	intravenous push
IVPB	intravenous piggyback
IVSD	interventricular septal defect.
IVU	Intravenous urography

[Jj]

J	Joule
J-tube	jejunostomy tube
JC	junctional contraction
JR	junctional rhythm
JCT	junction.
JRA	Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis
JT, jt	joint.
JV	jugular vein.
JVD	Jugular Vein Distention
JVP	jugular venous pressure.



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[Kk]

K+	potassium.
KA	ketoacidosis.
kcal	Kilocalorie (food calorie)
kg	kilogram.
KO	keep open.
KUB	Kidneys, ureters, and bladder
KVO	keep vein open

[Ll]

L, l, lt	left, Liter
L/min	liters per minute
L/S Spine	lumbar sacral spine
l-spine	lumbar spine
L1...L5	lumbar nerve 1 through 5; lumbar vertebrae 1 through 5
LA	left atrium.
lab	laboratory
Lac	laceration.
LAD	Left anterior descending (coronary artery)
LAP	left atrial pressure.
lap	laparotomy.
LAT	lateral
lb	Pound
LBBB	left bundle branch block.
LBO	large bowel obstruction.
LBP	low blood pressure.
LCA	left coronary artery.
LCTA	lungs clear to auscultation.
LDH	Lactate dehydrogenase
LDL	Low-density lipoprotein
LE	Lupus erythematosus
lg	large
LH	Luteinizing hormone
lido	lidocaine
liq	liquid
LLL	left lower lobe



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LLQ	lower left quadrant (abdomen).
LLR	left lateral recumbent
LMP	last menstrual period
LOC	loss of consciousness/level of consciousness (in GCS).
LOI	last oral intake
LPA	left pulmonary artery.
LR	Lactated Ringers Solution
LRQ	lower right quadrant. (abdomen).
LS	lung sounds, lumbosacral.
LUL	left upper lobe
LUQ	left upper quadrant (abdomen).
LV	left ventricle.
LVEDP/V	end-diastolic pressure / volume.
LVF	left ventricular failure.
LVH	left ventricular hypertrophy
lytes	electrolytes

[Mm]

m	meter
M	Male, Molar, metre.
M/H	medical history.
MAC	macerated.
MAE,	moves all extremities.
MAL	Mid-axillary line
MAOI	monoamine oxidase inhibitor.
MAP	mean arterial pressure.
MAS	meconium aspiration syndrome.
MAST	military antishock trousers.
Max	maximum
MCA	Medical Control Authority
mcg, (µg)	microgram.
MCI	Mass Casualty Incident
MCL	mid-clavicular line
MCV	Mean corpuscular volume
MD	medialis dorsalis, Medical doctor, Muscular Dystrophy
MDI	metered dose inhaler
ME	Medical Examiner
Meds	medication.
MEL	melanoma.
METH	methamphetamine.



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mEq	Millequivalent
MF	middle finger
MFR	Medical First Responder
Mg	Magnesium.
mg	milligram
mgu	Microgram
MG	myasthenia gravis. <u>info</u>
MH	medical history.
mHg	millimeter of mercury.
MI	myocardial infarction (Heart Attack).
MICU	mobile intensive care unit.
ML	midline.
Min	minimal
min	minute
ml/mL	milliliter, Microliter
mm	Millimeter
mM	Millimole
mmHg	millimeters of mercury
MMR	Measles, mumps, and rubella
mo	Month
Mod	moderate
mol wt	Molecular weight
MONA	monitor, oxegene, nitro, ASA.
mOsm	Milliosmole
MPI	Multiple Patient Incident
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MRSA	methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus
MRSE	methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus epidermis
MRSA	Methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus.
MS	Multiple Sclerosis, morphine sulfate, mental status
MSΔ	Mental status change
MSH	Melanocyte-stimulating hormone
MSL	midsternal line.
MSP	Motor, sensory, pulse
MUA	manipulation under anaesthesia.
MUGA	Multigated acquisition (scanning)
MVA	Motor vehicle accident
MVC	Motor vehicle crash
MVP	mitral valve prolaps
MVR	mitral valve replacement.



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[Nn]

N	Nitrogen, normal (strength of solution)
Na	sodium.
N/A, NA	not applicable.
N/V, N&V	nausea and vomiting
N/V/D	nausea / vomiting /diarrhea
Na	Sodium
NaCl	sodium chloride.
NAD	no apparent distress
NAHCO3	sodium bicarbonate
NBS	normal breath sounds.
NC	nasal cannula
NEB	nebulizer
NFR	not for resuscitation.
NG, N-G	nasogastric.
ng	Nanogram (millimicron)
NGT	nasogastric tube.
NH	nursing home
NICU	neonatal intensive care unit.
NIDDM	non insulin-dep. diabetes mellitus,(type II)
NK	not known.
NKA	no known allergies
NKDA	no known drug allergies
NMBA	neuromuscular blocking agent.
NO	nitric oxide.
NOF	neck of femur.
NOK	next of kin.
NP	nurse practitioner.
NPA	Naso-pharengeal Airway.
NPH	no previous history.
NPO	Nothing by mouth
NRB	non-rebreather mask
NROM	normal range of motion.
NS	normal saline
NSAID	non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.
NSD	nasal septal deformity.
NSD	normal spontaneous delivery.
NSR	normal sinus rhythm.
NTG	nitroglycerin
NTGS	nitroglycerin spray
NTGT	nitroglycerin tablet



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[Oo]

O&E	observation and examination.
O&T	Operations and training
O/E	on examination.
O2	oxygen
O2Sat	oxygen saturation by pulse oximeter
OB	obstetrics.
OBGYN, Ob-GYN,	Obstetrics and gynecology
OBL	oblique.
OBS	organic brain syndrome
oC	centigrade/Celsius
OCC	occiput.
OD	overdos, right eye.
oF	Fahrenheit
ONC	oncology.
OP, O/P	out patient.
OPA	Oropharyngeal Airway
OPD	outpatient department.
OPQRST	Onset, provoke, quality, radiate, severity, tenderness.
OR	operating room
OS	Osmosis / osmotic, left eye
oss	osseous.
OTC	Over the counter (drug normally obtained w/o a prescription)
Oto	otology. (Ear)
OU	both eyes
oz	ounce.

[Pp]

p	after
P	Phosphorus, pressure, pulse
P&A	percussion and auscultation
PAC	premature atrial contraction.
PALS	paediatric advanced life support.
PaCO2	Partial pressure of carbon dioxide in arterial blood
palp	palpate, palpation



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PaO2	partial pressure of oxygen in arterial blood.
Pap	Papanicolaou smear
PASG	Pneumatic Anti-Shock Garment
PAT	paroxysmal atrial tachycardia.
Path	pathology
Pb	lead
pc, p.c.	After meals
PCA	patient controlled analgesia.
PCN	Penicillin
PCO2	partial pressure of carbon dioxide.
PD	Police Department
PE	pericardial effusion, pharyngoesophageal, pleural effusion, pulmonary embolus.
PEA	pulseless electrical activity (cardiac)
PEAP	positive end airway pressure.
PEARL	pupils equal and reactive to light.
peds	Pediatrics
PEEP	positive end-expiratory pressure.
PEFR	peak expiratory flow rate
per	by or through
PERRL	Pupils equal, round, react to light
pg	Picogram (micromicrogram)
PH	past history, Hydrogen ion concentration
PhN	phrenic nerve.
PHN	pulmonary hypertension.
PHTLS	prehospital trauma life support.
PJC	premature junctional contraction.
PI	personal injury
PID	pelvic inflammatory disease.
PIP	proximal interphalangeal (joint)
PJC	premature junctional contraction
PKU	Phenylketonuria
PM	petit mal, postmortem
pm	afternoon
PMH, PMHx	past medical history.
PMS	pulse/motor/sensory, premenstrual tension syndrome.
PND	paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnoea.
PO	(per os) orally, by mouth.
PO2	Partial pressure of oxygen
poly	prefix for multiple.
post	posterior.
pp	postpartum.
PPH	post-partum hemorrhage
PPMHx	Pertinent past medical history, past medical history



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PMS	Pulse/motor/sensory, Premenstrual syndrome
PN	Pain
po	by mouth
PO2	Partial pressure of oxygen
POP	Pain on palpation
post	posterior
post op	postoperative
POV	Privately owned vehicle
PPD	Purified protein derivative (of tuberculin)
ppm	Parts per million
PPTE	Pearson, Place, Time, and Event
PR	pulse rate and per rectum.
pre op	preoperative
prn, p.r.n.	As needed, whenever necessary
Pro time	Prothrombin time
PSH	past surgical history
psi	Pounds persquare inch
PSVT	paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia.
PT	pneumothorax, Physical therapy
PTCA	percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty
Pth	Parathyroid hormone
PTR	patellar tendon reflex
PTSD	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder
PTX	pneumothorax.
PUD	peptic ulcer disease
PV	per vagina.
PVC	premature ventricular contraction.
PVST	paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia.
PVT	paroxysmal ventricular tachycardia.
PWD	Pink, Warm, and Dry
PX	prescription.

[Qq]

q	every
q2h	every 2 hours
q4h	every 4 hours
q6h	every 6 hours
q8h	every 8 hours
q12h	every 12 hours



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QD, qd	every day.
QH, qh	every hour
qid	four times a day
QMI	Q-wave myocardial infarction.

[Rr]

R	Respirations, roentgen, right
R/O	Rule out
RA	Rheumatoid arthritis
RAIU	Radioactive iodine uptake
RAP	right atrial pressure.
RBBB	right bundle branch block.
RBC	red blood cells/count.
RCA	right coronary artery.
RCM	right costal margin.
RDS	respiratory distress syndrome.
reg	regular
REM	rapid eye movement.
resp	respiration
RF	Rheumatic fever, rheumatoid factor
Rh	Rhesus blood factor
Rh neg. (Rh-)	Rhesus factor negative
Rh pos. (Rh+)	Rhesus factor positive
RLL	right lower lobe
RLQ	right lower quadrant (abdomen).
RML	right middle lobe
RN	registered nurse.
RNA	Registered Nursing Assistant, Ribonucleic acid
ROM	Range of motion (of joint)
RR	respiratory rate.
RSCN	Registered Sick Children's Nurse.
RSI	rapid sequence intubation.
RSI	repetitive strain injury
RSR	regular sinus rhythm.
RSV	respiratory syncytial virus.
RTA	road traffic accident.
RTI	respiratory tract infection.
RTS	Revised Trauma Score
RUL	right upper lobe
RUQ	right upper quadrant (abdomen).



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RVF	right ventricular failure.
RVH	right ventricular hypertrophy.
Rx	Prescription

[Ss]

s*	Without
S&S	signs and symptoms.
S/L	sublingual.
s/p	status post
S/S	signs and symptoms
S1...S5	sacral nerves 1 through 5; sacral vertebrae 1 through 5
SA	sinoatrial.
SAH	subarachnoid hemorrhage.
SAL	saline.
SAMPLE	Signs/Symptoms, Allergies, Meds, PPMHx, last oral intake, and events preceding the incident.
SaO2	Systemic arterial oxygen saturation (%)
SBE	Subacute bacterial endocarditis
SC, s.c.	subcutaneous.
SCI	spinal cord injury.
sec	second
SI	sacroiliac (joint)
SIADH	Syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone
SIDS	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
SK	streptokinase.
SL	sublingual.
SLE	Systemic lupus erythmatosus
sm	small
SMBG	self-monitored blood glucose
SNS	sympathetic nervous system.
SNT	soft non tender
SOB	shortness of breath.
SOG	standard operation guidelines.
SOP	standard operating protocol / procedure.
sp gr	Specific gravity
spec	Specimin
SpO2	oxygen saturation by pulse oximeter
SQ,subq	subcutaneous
ss*	One-half
ST	sinus tachycardia



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STAT, stat	Immediately, at once
STD	sexually transmitted disease.
STI	systolic time intervals.
SV	stroke volume.
SVE	supraventricular extrasystole.
SVT	supra ventricular tachycardia
SX	Symptom
syncopal	Fainting spell
Sz	seizures

[Tt]

T	Temperature; thoracic, followed by the vertebra number.
T&A	Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy
T&C	Type and crossmatch
T-spine	thoracic spine
T1...T12	thoracic nerves 1 through 12; thoracic vertebrae 1 through 12
tab	tablet
TB	tuberculosis.
TBSA	total body surface area.
tbsp	tablespoon
TCA	Time since collapse.
TCT	thrombin clotting time.
td	tetanus-diphtheria toxoid
Tele	telemetry
temp	Temperature
TIA	transient ischemic attacks
TIBS	Total iron-binding capacity
tid	three times a day
TKO	to keep open
TMA	transmetatarsal amputation.
top	topically.
TCP	transcutaneous pacing
TMJ	Temporo mandibular joint
TPA	Tissue plasminogen activator
TPN	Total parenteral nutrition
TPR	temperature, pulse, respirations.
trach	tracheal/tracheostomy
T-set	tracheotomy set.
TSH	thyroid-stimulating hormone
tsp	Teaspoon



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TSS	toxic shock syndrome.
TT	testicular torsion.
TT	thrombolytic therapy.
TT	transtracheal.
TTB	third trimester bleeding.
TTI	transtracheal insufflation. (Cricothyroidotomy)
Tx	Treatment

[Uu]

U	Units
U&Es	urea and electrolytes.
UA	unstable angina, upper airway.
UAO	upper airway obstruction.
UAP	unstable angina pectoris.
UC	ulcerative colitis.
UC	unconscious.
UD	ulnar deviation.
UE	upper extremity.
UHF	ultra high frequency.
UGI	upper gastrointestinal
ULQ	upper left quadrant.
ultra	ultrasound.
umb	umbilicus (navel).
ung	Ointment
UNK	unknown.
UOA	upon our arrival
UR	Unremarkable
URI	upper respiratory tract infection.
URQ	upper right quadrant.
US	ultrasound, United States
USPHS	United States Public Health Service
UTI	urinary tract infection.
UTL	unable to locate
UV	ultraviolet.



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[Vv]

VAC	ventriculoatrial conduction.
Vac	Vacuum.
VBG	venous blood gas.
VC	vital capacity.
VD	venereal disease.
VDRL	Veneral Disease Research Laboratory (test for syphilis)
vent	ventilator
VF	ventricular fibrillation, ventricular flutter.
V-fib	Ventricular fibrillation.
VHD	ventricular heart disease.
VPC	ventricular premature contractions.
VS, vs	vital signs.
VSD	ventricular septal defect.
VT, V-tach	ventricular tachycardia.
VTE	venous thromboembolism.

[Ww]

W&D	warm and dry
w/	with
w/o	with/out
WBC	white blood cell, white blood cell count.
WHO	World Health Organization
WNL	within normal limits
WPWS	Wolf-Parkinson White Syndrome.
wt	weight.



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[Xx]

X	multiplied by, times.
XR	x-ray.
XRT	radiotherapy.

[Yy]

Y/O, y/o	years old.
Yd.	yard.
yoa	years of age.
YOF	Year old female
YOM	Year old male
yr	year.

[Zz]

Zyg	Zygoma, Zygomatic
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[Misc. Symbols]

@	at
>	Greater than
<	Less than
?	questionable
+	positive
-	negative
^	approximately
>	greater than
<	less than
=	equal
~	approximate
↑	higher or increased
↓	lower or decreased
1°	primary
2°	secondary
Δ	change
♀	female
♂	male
ĉ	with
ŝ	without
â	before
p	after
/	per