

Abbreviation	Meaning	Comment
AAA	Abdominal partia anguruam	
AAA	Abdominal aortic aneurysm Alcoholics Anonymous	
(A)	Assistance	
a/a	As above	
A1, A2	Aortic Valve, 1st sound, 2nd sound	
AAROM	·	
AAV	Active assisted range of movement (physio) AIDS-associated virus	
AAL	Anterior axillary line	
AAL	Antibody	
AB	Apex beat	
AD	Antiobiotic	
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ABBI	Advanced breast biopsy instrumentation	
Abd	Abduction (physio)	
Abdo	Abdomen	
ABG	Arterial blood gases	
ABI	Acquired brain impairment/injury	
ABPI	Ankle brachial pressure index	
ABS	Acute brain syndrome	
A-C	Acromioclavicular (physio)	
AC	Before meals	
ACAT	Aged Care Assessment Team	
ACBT	Active cycle of breathing technique (physio)	
ACC	Acute care certificate	
ACCR	Aged care client record	
ACE	Angiotensin converting enzyme	
ACL	Anterior cruciate ligament (physio)	
ACM	Ambulatory cardiac monitoring	
ACON	AIDS council of NSW	
ACTH	Adrenocorticotropic hormone	
ACS	Acute coronary syndrome	
AD	Autosomal dominant	
ADC	AIDS dementia complex	
Add	Adduction (physio)	
ADD	Attention deficit disorder	
ADH	Anti-diuretic hormone	
ADHD	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder	
ADL	Activities of daily living	
Adm	Admission / admitted	
ADPKD	Autosomal dominant polycystic kidney disease	
ADR	Adverse drug reaction (mental health)	
ADT	Adult diphtheria and tetanus	
AE	Air entry	
AEA	Above elbow amputation (physio)	
AEB	Atrial ectopic beat	
AF	Atrial fibrillation	
	Activity Factor	
AFB	Acid fast bacilli	
AFO	Ankle-foot orthosis (physio)	
AFP	Alpha-fetoproteins	
Ag	Antigen	
AĞC	Associate genetic counsellor	



Agg	Aggravating (physio)
AGN	Acute glomerulonephritis
AH	Abdominal hysterectomy
AHA	Assisted Han Assessment (physio)
AHD	Arteriosclerotic/atherosclerotic heart disease
AHF	Antihaemolytic factor
Al	Aortic incompetence
AICD	Automated implantable cardioverter-defibrillator
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
AIMS	Alberta Infant Motor Scale (physio)
AIN	Assistant in Nursing
, ,	Anal intraepithelial
AIVR	Accelerated idioventricular rhythm
AJ	Ankle jerk
AJA	Ashkenazi Jewish ancestry
AK	Above knee
AKA	Above knee amputation
AKI	Acute kidney injury
Alb.	Albumin
ALA	Assisted local anaesthetic
ALD	Alcoholic liver disease
ALL	Acute lymphoblastic/lymphocytic/lymphatic
,	leukaemia
ALP	Alkaline phosphatase
ALS	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
alt.	Alternate
ALT	Alanine aminotransferase
Alt sly	Alternate side lying (physio)
AM	Active movement (physio)
AMA	Advanced maternal age
AMD	Age-related macular degeneration
AMI	Acute myocardial infarction
AML	Acute myeloid leukaemia
AMO	Attending/admitting medical officer
Amp	Ampoule
AMP	Austin Moore prosthesis
AMRI	Anteromedial rotary instability
AMS	Aboriginal Medical Service
ANA	Antinuclear antibody
ANC	Antenatal clinic
ANCA	Anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies
ANLL	Acute non-lymphocytic leukaemia
ANS	Autonomic nervous system
Ant.	Anterior
Anti D	Rh (D) immunoglobulin
Anti HBc	Hepatitis B core antibody
Anti HBs	Hepatitis B surface antibody
A/O	Application of (physio)
AOD	Alcohol and other drugs (mental health)
AODM	Adult Onset Diabetes Mellitus
A&P	Anterior and Posterior (repair)
AP	Arterial pressure
A-P	Antero-posterior
APC	Activated protein C
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APD	Automated peritoneal dialysis
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CAPD Continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis			
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Cas.	Casualty
CAT	Computerised axial tomography
CAVB	Complete atrioventricular block
CAVH	Continuous arteriovenous haemofiltration
CAVHD	Continuous arteriovenous haemodialysis
CBC	Complete blood count
CBD	Common bile duct
CBE	Clinical breast examination
CBS	Chronic brain syndrome
CBSL	Capillary blood sugar level
CBV	Cord blood vessels
CCA	Common carotid artery
CCB	Calcium channel blocker
CCD	
CCF	Continuous catheter drainage
	Congestive cardiac failure
CCPD	Continuous cyclic peritoneal dialysis
CCS	Classical caesarean section
CCT	Continuous/controlled cord traction
CCU	Coronary care unit
CD4	Cellular Differentiation 4 Positive or T- helper
0000	lymphocytes
CDCR	Canaliculodacryocystorhinostomy
CDE	Common bile duct exploration
CDH	Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
CDH1	E-cadherin type 1 gene
CDT	Combined diphtheria and tetanus (vaccine)
C/E	Cystoscopy
CE's	Cardiac enzymes
CEA	Carotid endarterectomy
Ceph	Cephalic
CES	Cauda equina syndrome (physio)
CF	Cystic fibrosis
	Clear fluids
CFA	Common femoral artery
CFP	Casual female partner
CFS	Chronic fatigue syndrome
CFT	Complement fixation test
CGD	Chronic granulomatous disease
CGH	Comparative genomic hybridisation
СНВ	Complete heart block
CHD	Congenital heart disease
Chemo	Chemotherapy
CHC	Community Health Centre
CHD	Congenital heart disease
CHF	Congestive/chronic heart failure
CHI	Closed head injury
CHL	Conductive hearing loss
Chlam/¢	chlamydia
CHO	Carbohydrate
Chol.	Cholesterol
chr.	Chronic
UIII.	Chromosome
СНх	
	Current history (physio)
C/I	Contraindicated (physio)
CIA	Change in howel habit
CIBH	Change in bowel habit



CIDP	Chronic inflammatory demyelination polyradioneuropathy
Cigs.	Cigarettes
CIN	Cervical intra-epithelial neoplasia
	Circulatory observations (physio)
CIS	Carcinoma in situ
CK	Creatinine kinase
CKD	Chronic kidney disease
CLBBB	·
	Complete left bundle branch block Chronic liver disease
CLD	
CIFI	Clear fluids
CLL	Chronic lymphocytic leukaemia
CLO	Campylobacter-like organism
CLT	Continuous lumbar traction (physio)
cm	centimetre
CM	Certified midwife
CMC	Carpometacarpal (physio)
CMG	Cystometrogram
CML	Chronic myeloid leukaemia
CMML	Chronic myelomonocytic leukaemia
CMP	Calcium, magnesium and phosphate
	Casual male partner
CMT	Charcot Marie Tooth
CMV	Cytomegalovirus
CMS	Clinical Midwife Specialist
CNC	Clinical nurse consultant
CNE	Clinical nurse educator
CNH	Chondrodermatitis nodularis chronica helicis
CNP	Continuous negative pressure ventilation
CNPB	Continuous negative pressure breathing
CNPU	Cannot pass urine
CNS	Central nervous system
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist
CNV	Copy number variant
C/O	Complains of
CO	Cardiac output
CO2	Carbon dioxide
Co1-3	Coxageal segments (physio)
COAD	Chronic obstructive airways disease
COB	Chronic obstructive bronchitis
00/04	Country of birth
CO/C1	Atlanto-axial joint (physio)
COCP	Combined oral contraceptive pill
COJ	Cardio-oesophageal junction
Cont.	Continued
	Contralateral
COPA	Cuffed oropharyngeal airway
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CoPMI	Children of parents with a mental illness (mental health)
COPUM	Congenital obstructing posterior urethral membranes
CPAP	Continuous positive airway pressure
CPB/CP	Cardiopulmonary bypass
BP	
CPD	Cephalopelvic disproportion
cPNET	Central primitive neuroectodermal tumour
CPPD	Calcium Pyrophosphate Dihydrate (Crystal Deposition
	Disease)
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CPR	Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation	
CR	Controlled release (used after a drug name)	
CRBBA	Complete right bundle branch block	
CRC	Colorectal cancer	
creps.	Crepitations (physio)	
	abbreviation for calcinosis, Raynaud's phenomenon,	
(syndrom	esophageal dysfunction, sclerodactyly, and telangiectasis	
e)		
CRF	Chronic renal failure	
CRHD	Chronic rheumatic heart disease	
CRL	Crown rump length (ultrasound)	
CRPS	Complex regional pain syndrome	
CRRT	Continuous renal replacement therapy	
CRS	Commonwealth Rehabilitation Service	
C/S	Caesarean section	
C/scopy	Colonoscopy	
C&S	Culture and sensitivity	
CSA	Central sleep apnoea	
	Childhood Sexual Assault	
CSF	Cerebrospinal fluid	
CSHS	Central sleep hypopnea syndrome	
CSM	Clinical Services Manager	
CSOM	Chronic suppurative otitis media	
CSU	Catheter specimen of urine	
CSW	Commercial sex worker	9/9/16
CT	Computerised tomography	3/3/10
CTD	Carpal tunnel decompression	
CID	Connective tissue disorder	
CTG		
CTM	Cardiotocograph Connective tissue massage (physio)	
CTO	Community Treatment Order	
CTR	Carpal tunnel release	
CTS	Carpal tunnel syndrome	
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CTSP	Called to see patient	
CUP	Chemical use in pregnancy	
0/1.10	Cancer of unknown primary	
C/US	Continuous ultrasound (physio)	
CVA	Cerebrovascular accident	
CVAD	Central venous access device	
CVC	Central venous catheter	
CVD	Cerebrovascular disease	
CVL	Central venous line	
CVP	Central venous pressure	
CVS	Cardiovascular system	
O. C	Chorionic villus sampling	
CVVH	Continuous veno-venous haemofiltration	
CVVHD	Continuous veno-venous haemodialysis	
Сх	Cervix	
CXR	Chest x-ray	
	D	
d.	Died	
DA	Decision aid	
DADL	Domestic activities of daily living (occ. Therapy)	
D&A	Drug and alcohol (mental health)	
DADHC	Dept of Aging, Disability and Home Care (mental	
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	health)	
DAI	Diffuse axonal injury	
Dam	Dental dam	
DAOR	Discharged at own risk	
DASH	Disability of arm, shoulder, hand (physio)	
DAT	Dementia of Alzheimer's type	
DB	Deep breathing (physio)	
DB&C	Deep breathing and coughing (physio)	
DBE	Deep breathing exercises	
DBP	Diastolic blood pressure	
D/C	Discharge	
D/O	Discussed	
D&C	Dilatation and curettage	
DCIS	Ductal carcinoma in situ	
DCR		
DDx	Dacryocystorhinostomy Differential diagnosis	
DDX		
טט	Dangerous drugs	
DDD	Developmental delay	
DDD	Degenerative disc disorder	
Dec.	Decreased (physio)	
Derm.	Dermatology	
DF	Dorsiflexion (physio)	
DG	Dark ground microscopy	
DGI	Disseminated gonococcal infection	
DHS	Dynamic hip screw	
DHx	Developmental history	
DI	Diabetes Insipidus	
DIC	Disseminated intravascular coagulation (syndrome)	
Diff.	Differential	
DIH	Direct inguinal hernia	
DIN	Ductal intraepithelial neoplasia	
DIP	Distal interphalangeal (physio)	
DISH	Diffuse idiopathic skeletal hyperostosis	
dist.	Distal	
DITs	Diathermy to inferior turbinates	
DIU	Death in-utero	
DJD	Degenerative joint disease	
DKA	Diabetic ketoacidosis	
DLCL	Diffuse large cell lymphoma	
DLE	Disseminated lupus erythematosis	
DLT	Double lumen tube	
DM	Diabetes mellitus	
DML	Diffuse, mixed small and large cell lymphoma	
DNA	Did not attend	
	Deoxyribonucleic acid	
DNS	Deviated nasal septum	
DNW	Did not wait	
D/O	Day only	
DOA	Dead on arrival	
DOB	Date of birth	
DoCS	Department of Community Services	
DOD	Date of death	
DOE	Dyspnoea on exertion	
DOH	Department of Housing	
DON	·	
DON	Director of Nursing	
מאטע	Diffuse obstructive pulmonary syndrome	



DORV	Double outlet right ventricle
DPT	Diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus (vaccine)
Dr.	Doctor
DRE	Digital rectal examination
DREZ	Dorsal root entry zone
DS	Downs syndrome
D/S	Dorsal surface (podiatry)
DSA	Digital subtraction angiography
DSCL	Diffuse small cleaved-cell lymphoma
DSH	Deliberate self harm (mental health)
DST	
DSTM	Dexamethasone suppression test
DTA	Deep soft tissue massage (physio)
	Deep transverse arrest
DTF	Deep transverse frictions (physio)
DTM	Deep tissue massage (physio)
DTP	Diphtheria tetanus pertussis (vaccine)
DT	Diversional therapist
DTs	Delirium tremens
DU	Decubitus ulcer
DUA	Death under anaesthetic
DUB	Dysfunctional uterine bleeding
DV	Domestic violence (mental health)
DVA	Department of Veterans' Affairs
DVD	Double-vessel disease
DVT	Deep venous thrombosis
D/W	Discussed with
Dx	Diagnosis
	E
EACH	Extended aged care at home (package)
E	Extension (physio)
EAM	External auditory meatus
EAR	Expired air resuscitation
EBM	Expressed breast milk
EBP	Electric breast pump
EBV	Epstein-Barr virus
ECCRTLA	Equal, concentric, circular, reacting to light and
	accommodation
ECBD	Exploration common bile duct
ECCE	Extracapsular cataract extraction
ECDC	Extracellular diplococci
ECG	Electrocardiogram
Echo.	Echocardiogram
EC-IC	Extracranial to intracranial (Vascular Bypass)
ECMO	Extracorporal membrane oxygenation
ECP	Emergency contraceptive pill
E Coli	Escherichia coli
ECSWL	Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy
ECT	Electroconvulsive therapy
ECTR	Endoscopic carpal tunnel release
ECV	External cephalic version
ED	
EDB	Emergency Department
	Epidural block
EDC	Estimated date of confinement
EDD	Expected date of completion
EDD	Expected due date



	Expected discharge data
EDII	Expected discharge date
EDH	Extradural haemorrhage
EEG	Electroencephalogram
EEN	Endorsed Enrolled Nurse
EER	Estimated energy requirements (dietetics)
EF	Ejection fraction
EFR	Estimate fluid requirements
EGD	Esophagogastroduodenoscopy
EIA	Enzyme immunoassay
EIL	Extension in lying (physio)
EIS	Extension in standing (physio)
EJV	External jugular vein
Elev.	Elevation (physio)
ELISA	Enzyme linked immunosorbent assay
EMG	Electromyogram
EMLA (trade	Eutectic mixture of local anaesthetics-Copyright Astra Pharmaceuticals
name) `	1,7 0
EMS	Elderly Mobility Test (physio)
EN	Enrolled nurse
	Enteral nutrition
Eng.	Engaged
ENG	Electronystagmogram
ENT	Ear, nose and throat
E/O	Examination of
L/O	Excision of
EOG	Electro-oculography
EOM	Extra-ocular movements
EOR EPG	End of range (physio)
	Electrophoretogram
EPR	Estimated protein requirements (dietetics)
EPS	Electrophysiological studies
EPSE	Extra-pyramidal side effects (mental health)
ER	External rotation (physio)
	Estrogen receptor
ERCP	Endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography
ERG	Electro-retinography
ERPC	Evacuation of retained products of conception
ESC	End stage care
ESCRF	End stage chronic renal failure
ESM	Ejection systolic murmur
ESR	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate
ESRD	End stage renal disease
ESRF	End stage renal failure
Est.	Estimated
ESWL	Extracorporeal shock-wave lithotripsy
ESWT	Endurance Shuttle Walk Test (physio)
ETCO2	End tidal carbon dioxide
EtOh	Alcohol
ETT	Endotracheal tube
EUA	Examination under anaesthetic
EUC	Electrolytes, urea and creatinine
Ev.	Eversion (physio)
EWC	Electric wheelchair
Ex	Excision
Ex's	Exercises Fundamental (about in)
Exp.	Expiratory (physio)



Ext.	Extension (physio)	
	F	
F&A	Foot and ankle (physio)	
FACH	Forceps to after coming head	
FAP	Familial adenomatous polyposis	
FASF	Forearm support frame (physio)	
FB	Foreign body	
FBC	Full blood count	
	Female breast cancer	
	Fluid balance chart	
FCC	Family cancer clinic	
FCU/ FVU	First catch urine/ First void urine	
FD	Foetal distress	
FDIU	Foetal death in utero	
FES	Functional electrical stimulation	
FESS	Functional endoscopic sinus surgery	
FET	Forced expiratory technique (physio)	
FEV	Forced expiratory volume (physio)	
FEV1	Forced expiratory volume in one second (physio)	
FF	Formula feeding	
FFA	Free fatty acids	
FFL	Free fluids	
FFP	Fresh frozen plasma	
FFFTs	Fits, faints and funny turns	
FGM	Female genital mutilation	
FH/FHx	Family history	
FHR	Foetal heart rate	
FHS	Foetal heart sounds	
FI	For investigation	
Fi O2	Fraction of inspired oxygen	
FIL	Flexion in lying (physio)	
FIM	Functional independence measure (physio)	
FIS	Flexion in standing (physio)	
FISH	Fluorescence in situ hybridisation	
FISS	Flexion in step standing (physio)	
FIVD	Fixed interval variable dose	
FLCL	Follicular large cell lymphoma	
FLCN	Folliculin gene	
Flex.	Flexion (physio)	
FM	Foetal movement	
FMF	Foetal movements felt	
FML	Follicular mixed lymphoma	
FMO	Financial management order (mental health)	
FMS	Functional Mobility Scale (physio)	
Fn	Function (physio)	
FNA	Fine needle aspirate	
FNAB	Fine needle aspiration biopsy	
FNB	Fine needle biopsy	
FO	For observation (mental health)	
FOB	Fibreoptic bronchoscopy	
FOBT	Faecal occult blood testing	
FOOB	Fell out of bed	
FPA	Family planning association	
FPG	Fasting plasma glucose	
FRAX	Fragile x syndrome	



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FRC	Functional residual capacity
FROM	Full range of motion (physio)
FS	Frozen section
FSCL	Follicular small cleaved-cell lymphoma
FSE	Foetal scalp electrode
FSGN	Focal sclerosing glomerulonephritis
FSH	Follicle stimulating hormone
FT	Full term
FTA	Failure to attend
FTA (Abs)	Fluorescent treponemal antibody
FT Ca	Fallopian tube cancer
FTD	Full term delivery
FTG	Full thickness graft
FTI	Free thyroxine index
FTM	Fractional test meal
FTP	Failure to progress
FTSG	Full thickness skin graft
FTT	Failure to thrive
F/U	Follow up
FUB	Functional uterine bleeding
FVC	Forced vital capacity (physio)
FWB	Full weight bearing (physio)
4WF	Four-wheeled frame
Fx	Fracture
	G
g G	Gram
G	Gravida - No. of pregnancies
GA	General anaesthetic
GAMP	General anaesthesia manipulation & plaster
GANT	Gastrointestinal autonomic nerve tumour
GB	Gallbladder
GBPS	Gated blood pool scan
GBS	Group B Streptococcus
GC	Genetic counsellor
GC/ gono	Gonorrhoea/gonococcus
GCMS	Gas chromatography mass spectrometry
GCS	Glasgow coma scale
GDM	Gestational diabetes mellitus
GE	Gastroenteritis
GFR	Glomerular filtration rate
GFSH	Growth factor stimulating hormone
GH	Growth hormone
G&H	Group and hold
GHPS	Gated heart pool scan
GI	Gastrointestinal
GIB	Gastrointestinal bleeding
GIDDM	Gestational insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
GIFT	Gamete intrafallopian transfer
GIH	Gastrointestinal haemorrhage
GIST	Gastrointestinal stomal tumour
GIT	Gastrointestinal tract
g/l	Grams per litre
ĞM	Grand mal (epilepsy)
GMFCS	Gross Motor Function Classification Scale (physio)
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GN	Glomerulonephritis



GNC	General nursing care (mental health)	
GNID	Gram negative intracellular diplococci	
GOLD	Genetics of learning disability	
GORD	Gastroesophageal reflux disease	
GP	General practitioner	
GPI	General paralysis of the insane	
Gr 1	Grade 1 (etc)	
GRF	Ground reaction force (physio)	
GRH	Growth releasing hormone	
GSH	Group, screen and hold	
GSW	Gunshot wound	
GT	Genetic testing	
GTNC+D	General treatment, nails cut and drilled (podiatry)	
GTNC+F	General treatment, nails cut and filed (podiatry)	
GTT	Glucose tolerance test	
GU	Gastric ulcer	
GUS	Genitourinary system	
GUT	Genitourinary tract	
GVHD	Graft versus host disease	
G&XM	Group and cross match	
Gx/Py	Gravida x (number of pregnancies / Para y (number	
OAT y	of live births)	
Gyn.	Gynaecology	
O y		
	Н	
Н	High	
	Huff (physio)	
HAD	Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale (physio)	
Hall.	Hallux (podiatry)	
HASA	Health and Security Assistant (mental health)	
HASI	Housing and Accommodation Support Initiative	
	(mental health)	
HAV	Hallux adducto valgus (podiatry)	
Hb	Haemoglobin	
НВ	Heart block	
1qHB	First degree heart block	
HbA1C	Glycosylated haemoglobin	
HBB	Hand behind back (physio)	
HBC	Hereditary breast cancer	
HBcAg	Hepatitis B core antigen	
HBCR	Hereditary bowel cancer register	
HBH	Hand behind head (physio)	
HBIG	Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin	
HBO	Hyperbaric oxygenation	
HBOC	Hereditary breast and ovarian cancer	
HBsAg	Hepatitis B surface antigen	
H'box	Headbox	
HBV	Hepatitis B Virus	
H&C	Huff and cough (physio)	
HC	Head circumference	
H/C	Hot/cold (physio)	
HCA	Health Care Agency (mental health)	
HCC	Hereditary cancer clinic	
HCCC	Health Care Complaints Commission (mental health)	
HCIS	Health Care Interpreter Service (mental health)	
Hct	Haematrocrit	
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HCV	Hepatitis C virus
HCVD	Hypertensive cardiovascular disease
HCW	Health care worker
HD	Haemodialysis
	Huntington disease
H/D	Heloma durum (podiatry)
HDL	High density lipoprotein
HDT	Head down tilt (physio)
HDU	High Dependency Unit
HDV	Hepatitis D virus
HE	High energy
HEHP	High energy high protein (dietetics)
HEN	Home enteral nutrition
HEP	Home exercise program (physio)
Hep A, B, C	Hepatitis A, B, C etc
Het	heterosexual
HER2	
	Human epidermal growth factor receptor 2
HGH HCr	Human growth hormone
HGr	High grade careus
HGS	High grade serous
HH	Hiatus hernia
HHSH	Hand held shower hose (occ therapy)
HHT	Hereditary haemorrhagic telangiectasia
HI	Head injury
HIB	Haemophilus Influenzae type B
HIDA	Hepatobiliary iminodiacetic acid (scan)
HIE	Hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy
HIFUS	High intensity focused ultrasound
Hist.	Histology
HITS	Heparin-induced thrombocytopaenic syndrome
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HIVD	Herniated intervertebral disc
HK	Hyperkeratosis callous (podiatry)
H/K	Hawkins Kennedy (impingement test) (physio)
HLC	High level care
HLSA	High ligation stripping avulsion
HLT	Heart/lung transplant
HMD	Hyaline membrane disease
H/molle	Heloma molle (podiatry)
HNPCC	Hereditary non-polyposis colorectal cancer
HNPM	Has not passed meconium
HNPU	Has not passed urine
H/O, HO	History of
H2O	Water
HOCM	Hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy
HONK	Hyperosmolar nonketotic coma
HP	High protein
	Hyperplastic polyp
HPC	History of present condition
HPF	High power field
HPFH	Hereditary persistence of foetal haemoglobin
HPI	History of present illness
HPO	Hypertrophic pulmonary osteopathy
0	Health Promotion Officer
HPU	Has passed urine
HPV	Human papilloma virus
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(in association with SESLHDPR/282 Clinical Abbreviations)

HPVD	Hypertensive pulmonary vascular disease	
HR	Heart rate	
H-R	Hamilton Russell (traction)	
H/R	Hold relax (physio)	
HRC	High risk clinic	
HRT	Hormone replacement therapy	
HS	Heart sounds	
H Sit.	High sitting (physio)	
HSV	Herpes simplex virus	
Ht	Height	
H/T		
	Hypertension	
HTLV	Human T-cell lymphotropic virus	
HTN	Hypertension	
HTO	High tibial osteotomy	
HUS	Haemolytic uraemic syndrome	
HV	Home visit	
HVS	High vaginal swab	
HWR	Healthy weight range (dietetics)	
Hx	History	
Нуро	Hypoglycaemia	
Hz	Hertz	
HZ	Herpes zoster	
HZV	Herpes zoster virus	
	I	
/1\	Independent	
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IABCP	Intra-aortic balloon counterpulsator	
I	Insertive (sexual intercourse)	
IABP	Intra-aortic balloon pump	
IADH	Inappropriate antidiuretic hormone	
IASD	Interatrial septal defect	
IBD	Inflammatory bowel disease	
IBS	Irritable bowel syndrome	
IC	Informed consent (physio)	
IC¥	Informed consent obtained (physio)	
ICA	Internal carotid artery	
ICB	Intracerebral bleed	
ICC	Intercostal catheter	
ICCE	Intracapsular cataract extraction	
ICCS	Intercellular cement substance	
ICD	Intercostal drain	
	Implantable cardioverter defibrillator	
ICDC	Intracellular diplococci	
ICE	Iridocorneal endothelial (syndrome)	
IC-EC	Intracranial to Extracranial (vascular bypass)	
ICF	Intravascular coagulation-fibrinolysis (syndrome)	
ICP	Intracranial pressure	
ICS	Intercostal space	
ICSI	Intracytoplasmic sperm injection	
ICU	Intensive Care Unit	
ID	Identification (bands on babies) (obstetrics)	
I & D	Incision and drainage	
IDC	Indwelling catheter	
	Infiltrating ductal carcinoma	
IDDM	Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus	
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IDM	Infant of diabetic mother
IDS	Interdigital space (podiatry)
IDU	Injecting drug use
IDW	Interdigital wedge (podiatry)
IE	Inspiratory:expiratory (ratio) (physio)
IEC	Intraepithelial carcinoma
IEPC	Immunoelectrophoresis
IF	Immunofluorescence
	Injury factor
IFT	Interferential therapy (physio)
lg	Immunoglobulin
IG	Intragastric
IGF	Insulin-like growth factor
IgG	Immunoglobulin G
IGR	Impaired glucose regulation
IGTN	Ingrown toenail
IH	Incisional hernia
IHC	Immunohistochemistry
IHD	Ischaemic heart disease
IHSS	Idiopathic hypertrophic subaortic stenosis
	Image intensifier
IJV	
ILC	Internal jugular vein
IM; I/M	Infiltrating lobular carcinoma
	Intramuscular
IMA	Internal mammary artery
IMB	Intermenstrual bleeding
IMC	Incomplete miscarriage
IMI	Intramuscular injection
IMT	Isometric muscle testing (physio)
IMV	Intermittent mandatory ventilation
In situ	In position
Inf.	Inferior
inj.	Injection
INR	International normalised ratio
Insp.	Inspiratory (physio)
Int.	Internal (physio)
Inv.	Inversion (physio)
I/O	Insertion of
IO	Intraosseous
IOC	Intraoperative cholangiogram
IODM	Infant of diabetic mother
IOL	Induction of labour
IOP	Intraocular pressure
IP	Inpatient
IPD	Intermittent peritoneal dialysis
IPF	Idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis (physio)
IPH	Intrapartum haemorrhage
IPJ	Interphalangeal joint
IPMA	Interpersonal Prevention and Management of Aggression (mental health)
IPPB	Intermittent positive pressure breathing (physio)
IPPR	Intermittent positive pressure respiration
IPPV	Intermittent positive pressure ventilation (physio)
ipsilat	Ipsilateral
IQ	Intelligence quotient
I&R	Intake and review



IR	Internal rotation (physio)	
IRDS	Infant respiratory distress syndrome	
IRMA	Intraretinal microvascular abnormalities	
IRPF	Idiopathic retroperitoneal fibrosis	
IRQ	Inner range quadriceps (physio)	
IRV	Inspiratory reserve volume	
ISADH	Inappropriate secretion of anti-diuretic hormone	
ISC	Intermittent self-catheterisation	
	Condition unchanged (in status quo)	
isq IST		
ISWT	Infraspinatus tendon (physio) Incremental Shuttle Walk Test (physio)	
I/T		
I/T C Tx	Intermittent (physio)	
	Intermittent cervical traction (physio)	
I/T L Tx	Intermittent lumbar traction (physio)	
ITP	Idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura	
IUCD	Intrauterine contraceptive device	
IUD	Intrauterine death	
IUFD	Intrauterine foetal death	
IUGR	Intrauterine growth retardation	
IUP	Intrauterine pregnancy	
IV	Intravenous	
I/V	Interview	
IVC	Inferior vena cava	
IVD	Intervertebral disc	
IVDA	Intravenous drug abuse	
IVF	In-vitro fertilisation	
IVH	Intraventricular haemorrhage	
IVI	Intravenous injection	
IVP	Intravenous pyelogram	
IVSD	Interventricular septal defect	
IVT	Intravenous therapy	
IVUS	Intravascular ultrasound	
IWT	Impacted wisdom teeth	
lx	Investigation	
	J	
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JCA	Juvenile chronic arthritis	
JDM	Juvenile diabetes mellitus	
JFM	Jewish founder mutation	
JGOS	Joint guarantee of Service (mental health)	
JJ	jaw jerks	
JJ	Jejunostomy (dietetics)	
JMO	Junior medical officer	
JO	Juvenile onset (mental health)	
JPS	Juvenile polyposis syndrome	
JRA	Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis	
Jt.	Joint (physio)	
JVP	Jugular venous pressure	
JVPq	Jugular venous pressure not raised	
JVPNE	Jugular venous pressure not elevated	
JVPNR	Jugular venous pressure not raised	
К		
K+	Potassium	
kCal	KiloCalories	
kg	Kilogram	



kj	knee jerks	
	Kilojoules	
KI	Kilolitre	
Km	Kilometre	
KMP	Known male partner (casual)	
KR/KF	Kiellands rotation/Kiellands forceps	
KR	Kiellands rotation	
KRC	Kirketon Road Centre	
KS	Kaposi's sarcoma	
KUB	Kidney, ureters, and bladder	
K Wire	Kirschner wire	
TC VVIIO		
1.4.5	L	
L 1-5	Lumbar vertebrae 1-5	
L	Litre	
	Left	
LA	Local anaesthetic	
Lab	Laboratory	
LAD	Left axis deviation	
	Left anterior descending	
LAFG	Long arm fibreglass (cast) (physio)	
LAHB	Left anterior hemiblock	
LAMP	Local anaesthesia, manipulation & plaster	
Lap.	Laparoscopy	
LAPI	Lacey Assessment of Preterm Infants (physio)	
LAPOP	Long arm plaster of paris (physio)	
LASIK	Laser-Assisted In-Situ Keratomileusis	
LSI	Last sexual intercourse	
Lat.	Lateral (physio)	
LAV	Lymphadenopathy-associated virus	
LBBB	Left bundle branch block	
LBD	Left border dullness	
LBE	Lateral basal expansion (physio)	
LBP	Low back pain (physio)	
LBW	Low birth weight	
LCA	Left coronary artery	
LCCA	Left common carotid artery/angiogram	
LCCS	Low cervical caesarean section	
LCIS	Lobular carcinoma in situ	
LCL	Lateral collateral ligament (physio)	
LCM	Left costal margin	
LCx	Left circumflex	
LDDD	Lumbar degenerative disc disorder	
LDL	Low-Density-Lipoprotein type	
LEEP	Loop electrosurgery excision procedure	
LF	Liver failure	
LFA	Left femoral artery	
LFH	Left femoral hernia	
LFS	Li-Fraumeni syndrome	
LFTs	Liver function tests	
LGA	Large for gestational age	
LGA	Low grade	
LGV		
	Lymphogranuloma venereum	
LH	Luteinising hormone	
LHF	Left heart failure	
LICS	Left intercostal space	



LIF	Left iliac fossa
ligs.	Ligaments (physio)
LÏH	Left inguinal hernia
LIMA	Left internal mammary artery
Liq.	Liquid
LIQ	Lower inner quadrant (breast)
LL	Lower lobe
LLB	Lower limb brace
LLETZ	
	Large loop excision transformation zone
LLFG	Long leg fibreglass (cast) (physio)
LLL	Left lower lobe (lung)
LLPOP	Long leg plaster of Paris (physio)
LLQ	Left lower quadrant
LMA	Laryngeal mask airway
LMB	Left main bronchus
LML	Left middle lobe (lung)
LMND	Lower motor neurone disease
LMO	Local medical officer
LMP	Last menstrual period
LMTC	Left message to call
L/N	Lymph node
LN_2	Liquid Nitrogen
LNB	Lymph node biopsy
LNMP	Last normal menstrual period
LOA	Left occipito-anterior
LOC	Loss of consciousness
LOL	Left occipito-lateral
LOP	Left occipito-posterior
LOQ	Lower outer quadrant (breast)
LOS	Length of stay
LOT	Left occipito-transverse
LOW	Loss of weight
LP	Lumbar puncture
LRQ	Lower right quadrant
LPU	Last passed urine
LRTI	Lower respiratory tract infection
LS	Lumbosacral
L/S	Lecithin/sphingomyelin (ratio)
LSCL	Long subclavian line
LSCP	Left scapuloposterior
LSCS	Low segment caesarean section
LSE	Left sternal edge
LSO	Left salpingo-oophorectomy
LSP	Left sacro posterior
l/sulcus	Lateral sulcus (podiatry)
LSV	Left saphenous vein
LTHR	Left total hip replacement
LTM	Long term memory (mental health)
LTS	
	Lateral tarsal strip
LU	Last Use
Lube	lubricant
LUL	Left upper lobe (lung)
LUDT	Left undescended testicle
LUQ	Left upper quadrant
LUSCS	Lower uterine segment caesarean section
LV	Left ventricle



LVAD	Left ventricular assistance device	
LVD	Left ventricular dysfunction	
LVEDP	Left ventricular end-diastolic pressure	
LVF	Left ventricular failure	
LVH	Left ventricular hypertrophy	
LVS	Low vaginal swab	
LVT	Left ventricular tachycardia	
lymphs	Lymphocytes	
LZ	Lower zone (physio)	
	M	
M	Metre	
M1	Mitral valve, first sound	
M2	Mitral valve, second sound	
MA	Maternal aunt	
MAC	Mycobacterium avium complex	
MACE	Malone antegrade continence enema	
MAI	Mycobacterium avium-intracellulare (infection)	
MALT	Mucosa-associated lymphoid tissue	
mane	In the morning	
MAOI	Monoamine oxidase inhibitors (mental health)	
MAP	Mean airway pressure	
	MutYH (MYH) associated polyposis	
MAS	Motor assessment scale (physio)	
MAST	Military anti-shock trousers	
1717 (0 1	Mastectomy	
Mat	Maternal	
Max.	Maximum (physio)	
MBA	Motor bike accident	
MBC	Male breast cancer	
MBD	Minimal brain dysfunction	
MBS	Modified barium swallow (speech path)	
MC	Miscarriage	
MCA	Middle cerebral artery	
MCG	,	
MCH	Micturating cystogram	
MCHC	Mean corpuscular haemoglobin	
MCL	Mean corpuscular haemoglobin concentration	
	Mid-clavicular line	
MCLS	Mucocutaneous lymph node syndrome	
MCP	Metacarpophalangeal (physio)	
MCS	Microscopy, culture and sensivity	
MCV	Mean corpuscular volume	
MD	Muscular dystrophy	
MDD	Major depressive disorder (mental health)	
MDI	Metered dose inhaler	
MDM	Mid-diastolic murmur	
MDP	Manic depressive psychosis	
MDR-TB	Multidrug-resistant tuberculosis	
MDS	Myelodysplastic syndrome	
MDT	Multidisciplinary team meeting	
ME	Myalgic encephalitis	
Mec.	Meconium	
Mec liq	Meconium liquor	
Meds	Medications	
Mad	Modial (physia)	
Med. MED	Medial (physio) Minimal erythema dose	



MELAS	episodes
MEN	Multiple endocrine neoplasia
Meg.	Milli-equivalents
METS; Mets	Metastatic
MFC	Medial femoral condyle
MFD	Mid forceps delivery
Mg	Magnesium
	Milligram
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MGA	Mycoplasma genitalium Manipulation under general anaesthetic
IVIGA	
MOE	Maternal great aunt
MGF	Maternal grandfather
MGM	Maternal grandmother
MGTT	Modified glucose tolerance test
MGUS	Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined
N 41 1	significance
MH	Mental health (mental health)
MHA	Mental Health Act (mental health)
MHDAO	Mental health and Drug and Alcohol Office (mental
D 41 11	health)
MHI	Manual hyperinflation (physio)
MHOAT	Mental Health Outcome Assessment Tool (mental
	health)
MHRT	Mental health review tribunal (mental health)
MHT	Mental health team
Mhz	Megahertz (physio)
MI	Myocardial infarction
MID	Multi-infarct dementia
MIMS	Monthly index of medical specialities
min.	Minimum (physio)
mL	Millilitre
ML	Middle lobe (lung)
MLB	Monaural loudness balance (hearing test)
MLD	Masking level difference (hearing test)
MLH1	mutL homolog 2 gene
mm	Millimetre
MM	Multiple Myeloma
MMG	Mammogram
mmHg	Millimetres of mercury
MMK	Marshall-Marchetti-Krantz operation
mmol	millimole
MMP	Medication management plan
MMR	Measles-mumps-rubella (vaccine)
	Mismatch repair (genes)
MMSE	Mini mental state examination
MMT	Manual muscle testing (physio)
MND	Motor neurone disease
MNG	Multinodular goitre
MO	Medical officer
	Medical oncology
Mob.	Mobilise (physio)
Mod.	Moderate
MOD	Mature onset diabetes
mods.	Modifications (occ therapy)
MODY	Maturity-onset diabetes of the young
MOW	Meals on wheels
IVIOVV	Mode of Wilcold



m/p	Medial plantar (podiatry)
MP1	Mallampati 1 (a score for mouth opening in anaesthesia, 1-4 grades)
MPD	Mucopurlent discharge
MPNST	Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumour
MPS	Myocardial perfusion scan/study
MPV	Mean platelet volume
MR	Mitral regurgitation
IVIIX	Mental regardation
MRA	Magnetic resonance angiography
MRCP	Magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography
MRI	Magnetic resonance imaging
MRN	Medical record number
MROP	Manual removal of placenta
MRP	Motor relearning programme (occ therapy)
MRSA	Methicillin/Multiple resistant staphylococcus aureus
MS	Mitral stenosis
IVIO	Multiple sclerosis
MSA	Mammary specific antigen
MSE	Mental state examination (mental health)
MSH2	mutS homolog 2 gene
MSH6	mutS homolog 6 gene
MSI	Microsatellite instability testing
MSL	Meconium stained liquor
MSLT	Multiple sleep latency test
MSM	Men who have sex with men
MST	Malnutrition screening tool
MSU	Mid stream urine
m/sulcus	Medial sulcus (podiatry)
MTD	Muscle tension dysphonia
Mths	Months
MTP	Metatarsophalangeal (physio) (podiatry)
MUA	Manipulation under anaesthetic
MULE	Multiple upper limb exerciser
Multip.	Multipara = more than one live birth
Mut mast/	Mutual masturbation
MM	Wataa maata bation
MutYH	mutY homolog gene
MV	Mechanical ventilation
MVA	Motor vehicle accident
MVD	Mitral valve disease
MVP	Mitral valve prolapse
MVR	Mitral valve replacement
movt.	Movement (physio)
MW	Mallory-Weiss (syndrome)
MWC	Manual wheelchair
Mx	Management
Myco.	Mycobacterium
MYH	Mut Y homologous (gene)
MZ	Middle/mid zone
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N	Normal
Na	Sodium
NAAT	Nucleic Acid Amplification Test
NAD	No abnormality detected
NAFLD	Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease
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	Nasal prongs	
NP	Nurse Practitioner	
NPA	Nasopharyngeal airway	
NPEP	Non-occupational post exposure prophylaxis	
NPO2	Nasal prong oxygen	
npu	Not passed urine	
NR	Normal range	
NRB	Non rebreather (mask)	
N/S	Normal saline	n.b. not to be used when prescribing
NS	Nuclear sclerosis (cataract)	
NSP	Needle & syringe program	
NSAID	Non steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs	
NSC	Non-sterile cataract	
NSCLC	Non small cell lung cancer/carcinoma	
NSMDA	Neurosensory Motor Developmental Assessment (physio)	
NSR	Normal sinus rhythm	
NSU	Non-specific urethritis	
NSTEMI	Non ST elevation myocardial infarction	
NT	Nuchal translucency	
NUM	Nurse unit manager	
N&V	Nausea and vomiting	
NWB	Non weight bearing	
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O2	Oxygen	
O:	Objective (physio)	
OA	Occipito-anterior (L or R)	
	Osteoarthritis	
O/A	On admission; on arrival	
ОВ	Obstetrics	
Obs.	Observations (physio)	
OBS	Organic brain syndrome	
O/C	Onychocryptosis (podiatry)	
OCD	Osteochondritis dissecans	
	Obsessive compulsive disorder	
OCP	Oral contraceptive pill	
O/C/P	Ova/cysts/parasites	
OCT	Optical coherence tomography	
O/D	Overdose	
O/E	On examination	
OFD	Orofaciodigital (syndrome)	
OG	Orogastric	
O/G	Onychogryphosis (podiatry)	
O&G	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	
OGD	Oesophagogastroduodenoscopy	
OGTT	Oral glucose tolerance test	
OHI	Oral hygiene instruction	
OH&S	Occupational health and safety	
OI	Osteogenesis imperfecta	
Oint	Ointment	
OJ	Other joints (physio)	
OM	Otitis media	
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O/M	Onychomycosis (podiatry)	
O/N	Overnight	
ONS	Oral nutrition support	
OP	Operation	
	Osteoporosis	
	Outpatient	
OPC	Office of the Protective Commissioner (mental	
	health)	
OPD	Outpatients Department	
OPG	Orthopantomography	
Ophth.	Ophthalmology	
O/R; OR	Open reduction	
ORIF	Open reduction with internal fixation	
ORQ	Outer range quadriceps (physio)	
Ortho.	Orthopaedics	
OSA	Obstructive sleep apnoea	
O2 Sats	Oxygen saturation	
OSHS	Obstructive sleep hypopnoea syndrome	
OSI	Oral Sexual Intercourse	
OT	Occipitotransverse	
	Occupational therapy	
OTA	Over toilet aid (occ therapy)	
Outs	Outfractures	
OTC	Over the counter	
Ov Ca	Ovarian cancer	
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P:	Plan (physio)	
P1, P2	Pulmonary valve, first sound or second sound	
PA	Per axilla	
PAC	Premature atrial contractions	
5405	Pressure area care	
PACE	Promoting aphasic's communicative effectiveness	
	(speech path)	
DADI	Patient with acute condition requiring escalation	
PADL	Personal activities of daily living (occ therapy)	
PADP	Program of Aids for Disabled People (occ therapy)	
Paed	Paediatrics	
Pall Care	Palliative care	
palp.	Palpitations (physio)	
PAMS	Passive accessory movements (physio)	
PAIVMS	Passive accessory intervertebral movements	
DANI	(physio)	
PAN	Polyarteritis nodosa	
PAP A	Primary atypical pneumonia	
PAPP-A	Pregnancy-associated plasma protein A	
Pap smear	Papanicolaou smear test	
Para	Paraplegic	
PARPi	PARP inhibitor, polyadenosine ribopolymerase	
2000	inhibitor	
pass.	Passive (physio)	
pat.	Patella (physio)	
DAT	Pareny amal atrial tachy pardia	
PAT	Paroxysmal atrial tachycardia	
PBC	Primary biliary cirrhosis	



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DID	Debite inflammation disease
PID	Pelvic inflammatory disease
PIE	Pulmonary infiltration with eosinophilia
PIH	Pregnancy induced hypertension
PIN	Prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia
PIP	Proximal interphalangeal (joint)
PITP	Powered inferior turbinoplasty
PIVD	Prolapsed intervertebral disc
PJS	Peutz-Jeghers syndrome
PKB	Prone knee bend
PKD	Polycystic kidney disease
PKU	Phenylketonuria
PM	Post mortem
PMA	Plantar metatarsal area (podiatry)
PMB	Post menopausal bleeding
PMH	Past medical history
PMN/ Polys	Polymorphs on gram
PMP	Plantar metatarsal pad (podiatry)
PMR	Polymyalgia rheumatica
PMS	Premenstrual syndrome
PMS2	PMS1 homolog 2 gene
PMT	Premenstrual tension
PN	Percussion note
PNB	Prostate needle biopsy
PNC	Post natal clinic
PND	
PND	Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnoea
DNET	Prenatal diagnosis
PNET	Primitive neuroectodermal tumour
PNF	Passive neck flexion (physio)
PNH	Paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria
PNLA	Percutaneous needle lung aspiration
PNS	Peripheral nervous system
PNT	Pancreatic neuroendocrine tumour
PNX	Pneumonia
pO2	Concentration of oxygen in solution
p/o	Productive of (physio)
PO	By mouth, orally
POA	Power of attorney
PO4	Phosphate
POBA	Plain old balloon angioplasty
POC	Products of conception
POD	Pouch of Douglas
Podo	Podophyllin/ podophyllotoxin
POF	Premature ovarian failure syndrome
POH	Poor Obstetric History
POI	Primary ovarian insufficiency
POP	Persistent occipito-posterior
	Progestogen only pill
POW	Prisoner of War
Pos.	Positive
Post.	Posterior
Post op	Post operatively
PP	Pin prick
P&P	·
	Primary peritancel cancer
PP Ca	Primary peritoneal cancer
PPE	Personal protective equipment
PPH	Post partum haemorrhage



PPHN Persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn	
PPI Proton pump inhibitor	
PPIVM Passive physiological intervertebral movements	
(physio)	
PPM Permanent pacemaker	
PPN Peripheral parenteral nutrition	
pPNET Peripheral primitive neuroectodermal tumour	
PPROM Preterm premature rupture of membranes	
PPU Perforated peptic ulcer	
PR Per rectum	
PCR Polymerase chain reaction	
Progesterone receptor	
Pre med Pre medication	
Pre-op Pre operatively	
Prep Preparation (mental health)	
PRFFNB Percutaneous radiofrequency facet nerve block	
PRIND Prolonged reversible ischaemic neurological deficit	
PRK Photorefractive keratectomy	
prn Whenever necessary/as required (pro re nata)	
prod. Productive	
prog. Prognosis (mental health)	
PROM Premature rupture of membranes	
pron. Pronation	
prot. Protraction/protein	
Protein	
pro tem for now/in the short term	
prox. Proximal	
PRVC Pressure regulated volume control	
PS Presenting symptoms	
Pressure support	
P/S Plantar surface (podiatry)	
PSA Prostate-specific antigen	
PSC Polar senile cataract	
PSH; PSHx Past surgical history	
PSI Previous sexual intercourse	
PSP Progressive supranuclear palsy	
PSV Pressure support ventilation	
Pt Patient	
P/T Physiotherapy	
PTA Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty	
PTAV Percutaneous transluminal aortic valvuloplasty	
PTB Pulmonary tuberculosis	
PTC Percutaneous transhepatic cholangiography	
PTCA Percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty	
PTCH1 Patched 1 gene	
PTD Pre test discussion	
PTE Pulmonary thromboemboli	
PTEN Phosphatase and tensin homologous gene	
PTFL Posterior tibiofibular ligament (physio)	
PTH Parathyroid hormone	
PTK Phototherapeutic keratectomy	
PTS Pulled to sitting/pulled to standing (physio)	
PTSD Post traumatic stress disorder	
FUSI traditiatio stress disorder	
pu Passed urine	



PUD	Peptic ulcer disease	
PUF	Pick-up frame (physio)	
PUIT	Passed urine in toilet	
PUJ	Pelvi-ureteric junction	
PUO	Pyrexia of unknown origin	
PUPP	Pruritic urticarial plaques of pregnancy	
PU/S	Pulsed ultrasound (physio)	
PUVA	Psoralen ultraviolet A (therapy)	
PV	Per vagina	
PVB	Per vagina bleeding	
PVC	Premature ventricular contraction	
PVD	Peripheral vascular disease	
PVE	Per vaginal examination	
PVS	Post-viral syndrome	
PWB	Partial weight-bearing (physio)	
PWC	Powered wheelchair	
FVVC	rowered wheelchair	
	Q	
qid	Four times a day	
quad.	Quadraplegia	
quads.	Quadriceps	
QS	Quad stick (physio)	
	R	
R	Receptive (sexual intercourse)	
	Right	
RA	Rheumatoid arthritis	
	Right atrium	
	Room air	
RAD	Right axis deviation	
RAEB	Refractory anaemia with excess blasts	
RAEB-T	Refractory anaemia with excess blasts in	
	transformation	
RAH	Right atrial hypertrophy (on ECG)	
RAM	Rapid alternating movements (neurology)	
RARS	Refractory anaemia with ringed sideroblasts	
RAS	Renal artery stenosis	
RBBB	Right bundle branch block	
rbc	Red blood cell	
RBC	Red blood count	
RBD	Right border dullness	
RBG	Random blood glucose	
RBGL	Random blood glucose levels	
RC	Right circumflex	
RCA	Right coronary artery	
RCB	Relaxed controlled breathing	
RCC	Red cell count	
RCCA	Right common carotid angiogram/arteriogram	
RCM	Right costal margin	
RCV	Red cell volume	
RDS	Respiratory distress syndrome	
RDT	Routine dialysis therapy	
RDW	Red cell distribution width	
Re:	Regarding (mental health)	
Reg	regular	
REIL	Repeated extension in lying (physio)	
INLIL	rrepeated extension in tyling (physio)	



REIS	Repeated extension in sitting (physio)
Rels.	Relatives
REM	Rapid eye movement
rep.	Repeated (physio)
Resp.	Respiratory
ret.	Retraction (physio)
RF	Renal failure
	Rollator frame – two wheels
RFA	Right femoral artery
RFH	Right femoral hernia
RFIL	Repeated flexion in lying (physio)
RFIS	Repeated flexion in standing (physio)
RFP	Right frontoposterior (obstetrics)
	Regular female partner
RFT	Right frontotransverse (obstetrics)
RFTs	Respiratory function tests
RGP	Retrograde pyelogram
Rh -ve	Rhesus factor negative
Rh +ve	Rhesus factor positive
RHD	Rheumatic heart disease
RHF	Right heart failure
RIB	Reportable incident brief
	Rest in bed
RICS	Right intercostal space
RIF	Right iliac fossa
RIH	Right inguinal hernia
RIMA	Right internal mammary artery
RIND	Reversible ischaemic neurologic deficit
RIP	Raised intracranial pressure
RJ	Radial jerk
R-J	Robert Jones (bandage)
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RPF	Retroperitoneal fibrosis	
RPR	Rapid plasma reagin	
Rpt	Repeat	
RR	Respiratory rate	
RRM	Risk reducing mastectomy	
RRMed	Risk reducing medication	
RR(B/U)SO	Risk reducing (bilateral/unilateral) salpingo-	
,	oophorectomy	
RSA	Right sacro-anterior (obstetrics)	
RSD	Reflex sympathetic dystrophy (now CRPS)	
RSI	Repetitive strain injury	
RSO	Right salpingo-oophorectomy	
RSP	Right sacroposterior (obstetrics)	
RST	Right sacrotransverse (obstetrics)	
RSV	Respiratory syncytial virus	
RSVB	Respiratory syncytial virus bronchiolitis	
RT; R/T; RTx	Radiotherapy	
RTA	Regular in time and amplitude	
RTB	Return to bed	
RTHR	Right total hip replacement	
RTI	Respiratory tract infection	
RTL	Reacting to light	
RTS	Raised toilet seat (occ therapy)	
RTU	Returned to unit	
RTW	Returned to ward	
RUDAS	Rowland Universal Dementia Assessment Scale	
RUIQ	Right upper inner quadrant (breast)	
RUL	Right upper lid	
RUO	Right ureteric orifice	
RUOQ	Right upper outer quadrant (breast)	
RUQ	Right upper quadrant	
R/V	Review	
RV	Right ventricle	
	Retro verted (uterus)	
RVA	Right vertebral angiogram	
RVAD	Right ventricular assist device	
RVF	Right ventricular failure	
RVH	Right ventricular hypertrophy	
RVP	Right venous pressure	
RVT	Renal vein thrombosis	
Rx	Treatment/prescription	
RXT	Right exotropia	
	S	
S	serum (as in s bilirubin)	
/s	without	
S1-5	Sacral vertebrae (1-5)	
S. aureus	Staphylococcus aureus	
Sab	Sabouraud agar	
SAFG	Short arm fibreglass (cast) (physio)	
SAH	Subarachnoid haemorrhage	
SAL	Sensorineural acuity level (test)	
SAPOP	Short arm plaster of paris (physio)	
SaO2	Oxygen saturation	
S/B	Seen by	



	Stillborn/stillbirth
SBA	Standby assistance (occ therapy)
SBE	Subacute bacterial endocarditis
SBO	Small bowel obstruction
SBP	Systolic blood pressure
SBR	Serum bilirubin
02.1	Strict bed rest
S-B test	Stanford-Binet test
SBT	Sharp/blunt test (occ therapy)
SCA	Sickle cell anaemia
scap.	Scapula (physio)
SCC	Squamous cell carcinoma
300	Sudden cardiac death
SCH	Subconjunctival haemorrhage
SCI	Subcutaneous injection
SCID	Severe combined immunodeficiency disease
SCI MH-OAT	Service Contact Info. Mental Health Outcome & Assessment Tools
SCI WITI-OAT	(MH)
SCLC	Small cell lung cancer
SCN	Special Care Nursery
SCTx	Static cervical traction
SCTAT	Sex cord tumour with annular tubules (of the ovary)
SDAT	Senile dementia Alzheimer's type (mental health)
SDH	Subdural haemorrhage/haematoma
SDHA	Succinate dehydrogenase A complex gene
SDHAF2	Succinate dehydrogenase AF2 complex gene
SDHB	Succinate dehydrogenase B complex gene
SDHC	Succinate dehydrogenase C complex gene
SDHD	Succinate dehydrogenase D complex gene
SDT	Speech detection threshold
S/E	Subjective examination (physio)
SEM	Systolic ejection murmur
sens.	Sensation (physio)
SFA	Superficial femoral artery
SFD	Small for dates
SFGA	Small for gestational age
SFL/R	Side flexion left/right (physio)
SG	Specific gravity
SGA	Small for gestational age
	Subjective global assessment
SGC	Senior genetic counsellor
SGIS	Side glide in standing (physio)
Sh.	Shoulder (physio)
SH; SHx	Social history
SHL	Sudden hearing loss
SI	Stress incontinence
	Sexual intercourse
SIADH	Syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone
	(secretion)
Sibs	Siblings
SIDS	Sudden infant death syndrome
SIJ	Sacro-iliac joint (physio)
SIMV	Synchronised intermittent mandatory ventilation
SIRS	Systemic inflammatory response syndrome
SISADH	Syndrome of inappropriate secretion of antidiuretic
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	hormone
SIW	Self inflicted wound
SL	Side lying (physio)
	Sublingual
SLAP	Superior labrum anterior-posterior lesion
SLE	Systemic lupus erythematosus
SLFG	Short leg fibreglass (cast) (physio)
SLN	Superior laryngeal nerve
SLPOP	Short leg plaster of Paris (physio)
SLR	Straight leg raising (physio)
SLS	Single leg stand (physio)
SLT	Single lung transplant
SM	Student midwife
SMA	Superior mesenteric artery
SMAD4	SMAD family member 4 gene
SMBG	Self monitoring of blood glucose
SMD	Senile macular degeneration
SMI	Sustained maximal inspiration (physio)
SMR	Submucous resection (nose)
SMHSOP	Specialist Mental Health Services for Older Persons (mental health)
SN	Senile nuclear (cataract)
Sn	Suction (physio)
SNAP	Subacute & non-acute patient
SNM	Senior Nurse Manager
SNRI	Serotonin/Noradrenalin re-uptake inhibitor (mental
SINKI	health)
SNS	Sympathetic nervous system
s/o	Suction out (physio)
	Standing order
SO	Salpingo-oophorectomy
SOA	Swelling of ankles
SOB	Shortness of breath
SOBAR	Shortness of breath at rest
SOBOE	Shortness of breath on exertion
SOEOB	Sitting over edge of bed (physio)
SOL	Spontaneous onset of labour
Sol'n	Solution (mental health)
SOM	Secretary otitis media
SOOB	Sit out of bed
SP	Speech Pathology
sp	Species
SPC	Suprapubic catheter
Spiro.	Spirometry (physio)
SPO2	Saturation of peripheral oxygen
SPPS	Stable plasma protein solution
SPRED1	Sprouty-related gene
SPROM	Spontaneous premature rupture of the membranes
SPS	Single point stick (physio)
Sput.	Sputum (physio)
SQ	Static quadriceps (physio)
SR	Sinus rhythm
SROM	Spontaneous rupture of membranes
S-S	Side to side (physio)
SSA	Sessile serrated adenoma
SSG	Split skin graft
SSI	Sliding scale insulin
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SSNHL	Sudden sensorineural hearing loss
SSP/SSPE	Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis
SSRI	Selective Serotonin Re-uptake Inhibitor (mental
33111	health)
SSS	Sick sinus syndrome
SST	Supraspinatus tendon (physio)
SSV	Short saphenous vein
ST	Sinus tachycardia
Staph.	Staphylococcus
stat	immediately and once only (statim)
Statim/Stat	Immediately, once only
STEMI	ST elevation myocardial infarction
STI	·
311	Soft tissue injury
CTIZAA	Sexually transmissible infection
STK11	Serine/threonine kinase 11 gene
STM	Short term memory
STML	Short term memory loss
STO	Standing order
STR	Soft tissue release (physio)
STS	Serology tests for syphilis
	Sit to stand (allied health)
STSG	Split-thickness skin graft
Strep.	Streptococcus
subcut.	Subcutaneous
subj.	Subjective (physio)
subling.	Sublingual
Subscap.	Subscapularis (tendon) (physio)
SUD	Sudden unexplained death
Sup.	Supination (physio)
Supp.	Suppository
Surg.	Surgery or surgical
Sub US	Subaquatic ultrasound (physio)
Susp.	Suspension
S/V	Supervision
SVC	Superior vena cava
SVD	Septal ventricular defect
SVG	Saphenous vein graft
SVR	Systemic vascular resistance
SVT	Supraventricular tachycardia
SW	Social work
SWISH	NSW Statewide Infant Screening - Hearing
SW/ SIW	Sex industry worker
SWS	Sex worker - street
Sx	Surgery (physio)
SXR	Skull x-ray
Syph	Syphilis
/ ፮	
SZ/SCZ	Schizophrenia (mental health)
	Т
T1-12	Thoracic vertebrae (1-12)
Tab.	Tablet
TA	Tendoachilles / technical assistant (physio)
	Tubular adenoma
	Take away medication doses for outpatient staged
	rand and moderation deced for outputtern staged



	supply
TAH	Total abdominal hysterectomy
TAHBSO	Total abdominal hysterectomy and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy
TAPVC	Total anomalous pulmonary venous connection
TAT	Turnaround time
TB	Tuberculosis (tubercle bacillus)
TBA	To be arranged
TBC	To be confirmed (physio)
TBI	Traumatic brain injury
TBLC	Term birth living child
TBLI	Term birth live infant
TBW	Tension band wiring
TCA	Tricyclic antidepressant (mental health)
TCC	Transitional cell carcinoma
TCI	To come in
TCM	Transcutaneous monitoring
T-CLL	T-cell chronic lymphocytic leukaemia
TCV	Talipes calcaneovalgus (physio)
TD	Tardive dyskinesia (mental health)
t.d.s	Three times a day (ter die sumendum)
TED	Thromboembolic deterrent (stockings)
Temp.	Temperature
TEN	Trainee enrolled nurse
TENS	Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (physio)
TEST	Tubal embryo stage transfer
Tet-tox	Tetanus toxoid
TEV	Talipes equinovarus (physio)
TF	Thickened fluids
TFA	Transfemoral amputation (physio)
TFGT	Treatment focussed genetic testing
TFL	Tensor fasciae latae (physio)
TFT	Thyroid function tests
T/F	Transfer (physio)
TG	Triglycerides
TGA	Transient global amnesia
TGF-b	Tumour growth factor - b
TH	Total hysterectomy
THA	Total hip arthroplasty
THBSO	Total hysterectomy bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy
THC	Tetrahydrocannabinol (marijuana) (mental health)
THR	Total hip replacement
TIA	Transient ischaemic attack
TIBC	Total iron binding capacity
TIPS	Transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt
TIVA	Total intravenous anaesthesia
TJ	Triceps jerks
TKA	Total knee arthroplasty
TKR	Total knee replacement
TKVO	To keep vein open
TLA	Translumbar aortogram
TLC	Tender loving care
TLE	Temporal lobe epilepsy
TLR	Tonic labyrinthine reflex (physio)
TM	Tympanic membrane
TMC	Threatened miscarriage
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TMJ	Temporomandibular joint
TML	Trachea midline
TMR	Transmyocardial revascularisation
TMT	Tarsometatarsal (physio)
TNBC	Triple negative breast cancer
TNF	Tumour necrosis factor
TNP	Transitional Nurse Practitioner
TOE	
TOF	Transoesophageal echocardiogram
TOL	Tracheo-oesophageal fistula Trial of labour
TOP	
TORCH	Termination of pregnancy
	Toxoplasmosis, rubella, cytomegalovirus and herpes
(complex)	simplex
TOS	Trial of scar
TOV	Trial of void
Toxo	toxoplasmosis
T/P	Transplant
TPG	Transpulmonary pressure gradient
TPHA	Treponema pallidum haemagglutination (test)
TPI	Totally and permanently incapacitated
TPL	Threatened premature labour
TPN	Total parenteral nutrition
TPP	Time, place and person
TPR	Temperature, pulse and respiration
TPTL	Threatened pre-term labour
TP53	Tumour protein p53 gene
TrA	Transversus abdominis (physio)
tract.	Traction (physio)
TRAM	Transverse rectus abdominis myseuteneous (flee)
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TWB	Touch weight bearing (physio)
TWOC	Trial without catheter
Tx	Traction (physio)/Treatment
	Transplant
TZ	Transformation zone
T1DM	Type 1 diabetes mellitus
T2DM	Type 2 diabetes mellitus
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U/A	Urinalysis
UA	Unstable angina
UAP	Unstable angina pectoris
UBT	Uterine balloon therapy
UC	Ulcerative colitis
U & E	Urea and electrolytes
UCG	Urinary chorionic gonadotrophin
UEC	Urea, electrolytes and creatinine
U/K	Unknown
UL	Upper limb (physio)
ULTT	Upper limb tension test (physio)
ULTT1-3 UMN	Upper limb tension test 1-3 (physio)
Unilat	Upper motor neuron Unilateral
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U/O	Urine output
UPDRS	Unified Parkinson's Disease Rating Scale (physio)
UPP	Urethral pressure profile
UPPP	Uvulopalatopharyngoplasty
URI	Upper respiratory infection
urol.	Urology or urological
URT	Upper respiratory tract
URTI	Upper respiratory tract infection
US;U/S	Ultrasound
UTA	Unable to attend (physio)
UTI	Urinary tract infection
UTT	Up to toilet (physio)
UULEX	Unsupported upper limb exercise test (physio)
UV	Ultra violet
UVP	Utero vaginal prolapse
UVR	Ultraviolet radiation
UWSD	Underwater seal drain
UZ	Upper zone (physio)
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VA	Visual acuity
VAD	Vascular access device
VAIN	Vaginal intra-epithelial neoplasia (grades 1-3)
VAS	Visual analogue scale (physio)
VBAC	Vaginal birth after Caesarean
VBI	Vertebrobasilar insufficiency
VC	Vital capacity (physio)
VCE	Video capsule endoscopy
VD	Venereal disease
V & D	Vomiting and diarrhoea
VDRL	Venereal disease research laboratory



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Wks	Weeks
WNL	Within normal limits
w/o	Without
W/O	Washout
WO	Welfare officer (mental health)
WOB	Work of breathing
WPW	Wolff-Parkinson-White (Syndrome)
WR	Wasserman reaction
W/S	Walking stick
WSW	Women who have sex with women
Wt	Weight
WTM	Will take message
2WW	Two-wheeled walker
4WF	Four-wheeled frame (physio)
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	X
XLD	X-linked dominant
XLR	X-linked dominant X-linked recessive
X-match	Cross match
XR	X-ray
AK	Extended release
VDT	
XRT	X-ray therapy
	Υ
y/o	Years old
yr/s	Year/Years
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	Z
Z-N	Ziehl Neelsen (stain)
	SYMBOLS
@	At
&	And
I	Decreased
↓	Increased
Δ	Disease
3	Male
7	Female
#	Fracture
/60	Minutes
/7	Days
/12	Months
	Weeks
/52 /24	
	Hours
/40 1°	Weeks of pregnancy
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2°	Secondary, second degree
30	Third degree
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(L)	Left
	Less than
_	Greater than
< > /C /S	With
/C	Without
/3	Therefore
:.	
=	Equal to
0	No; no history of
%	Percent
?	Doubtful; questionable; query
° F	Degrees Fahrenheit
° C	Degrees Celsius
←	Transverse left (physio)
\rightarrow	Transverse right (physio)
\leftrightarrow	Longitudinal movement (physio)
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/	per
Symbols:	
Ć	with
c/out	without
<	less than/smaller than*
>	greater than/larger than*
^	increased/more/above
V	decreased/less/below
=	equal to/same as/synonymous
-ve	negative
+ve	positive
1°	primary
2 °	secondary
3°	tertiary
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