

MEDICAL ABBREVIATION LIST FOR MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTIONISTS

A&O	alert and oriented
A&P	auscultation and percussion
A&W	alive and well
A&P	Assessment and Plan
AA	Alcoholics Anonymous
AAA	abdominal aortic aneurysm
AAROM	active-assistive range of motion
AB	abortion / abdominal / antibody
ABCD	asymmetry, border, color, diameter (occurs in dermatology files - describes melanoma)
ABD	abdomen
ABE	acute bacterial endocarditis
ABF	aortobifemoral
ABG	arterial blood gas (most common expansion) / air-bone gap
ABI	ankle-brachial index
AC	acromioclavicular
a.c.	before meals
accel(s)	acceleration(s)
ACE	angiotensin-converting enzyme / acute cerebral encephalopathy
ACF	acute care facility
ACL	anterior cruciate ligament
ACLF	assisted care living facility
ACLS	advanced cardiac life support
ACS	acute coronary syndrome
ad lib	as desired
ADD	attention deficit disorder
ADHD	attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
ADL	activities of daily living
ADR	adverse drug reaction / Adriamycin / acute dystonic reaction
AFI	amniotic fluid index
Afib (slang)	atrial fibrillation
AFO	ankle-foot orthosis
AFP	alpha fetoprotein
AGA	appropriate for gestational age
AICD	automatic implantable cardioverter-defibrillator
AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome
AKA	above-knee amputation
AI	aortic insufficiency
ALL	acute lymphocytic leukemia / acute lymphoblastic leukemia
AMA	against medical advice
AML	acute myelogenous leukemia
AS	aortic stenosis
ATN	acute tubular necrosis
AVR	aortic valve replacement
BBB	bundle branch block
BiPAP	bilevel positive airway pressure

BKA	below-knee amputation
BMI	body mass index
BOOP	bronchiolitis obliterans-organizing pneumonia
BP	blood pressure
BPH	benign prostatic hypertrophy / benign prostatic hyperplasia
BSO	bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy
BSS	balanced salt solution
C. diff	Clostridium difficile
CABG (sounds "cabbage")	coronary artery bypass graft
CAD	coronary artery disease
cath	catheter / catheterization
CBD	common bile duct
CBI	continuous bladder irrigation
CCE	clubbing, cyanosis, edema
CCU	coronary care unit
CHF	congestive heart failure
CIC	clean intermittent catheterization
CLL	chronic lymphocytic leukemia
CML	chronic myelogenous leukemia
CMT	cervical motion tenderness / Charcot-Marie-Tooth
CMV	cytomegalovirus
CNS	central nervous system
C&S	culture and sensitivity
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPAP	continuous positive airway pressure
CPD	cephalopelvic disproportion
CPM	continuous passive motion (device) - ortho, rehab files
CPR	cardiopulmonary resuscitation
CPS	Child Protective Services
C section	cesarean section
CSF	cerebrospinal fluid
C-spine	cervical spine
CTA	clear to auscultation
CTAP	clear to auscultation and percussion
CVA	cerebrovascular accident / costovertebral angle
D&C	dilatation and curettage / dilation and curettage
DC	discharge OR discontinue
DCIS	ductal carcinoma in situ
DDD	degenerative disk disease
DIC	disseminated intravascular coagulopathy
DIP	distal interphalangeal (joint)
DJD	degenerative joint disease
DKA	diabetic ketoacidosis
DM	diabetes mellitus
DME	durable medical equipment / director of medical education / degenerative myoclonus epilepsy
DNI	do not intubate

DNR	do not resuscitate / DO NOT RESUSCITATE
DRE	digital rectal exam
DTR	deep tendon reflex
DT / DTs	delirium tremens
DVT	deep vein thrombosis / deep venous thrombosis
EBL	estimated blood loss
EBRT	external beam radiation therapy
EBV	Epstein-Barr virus
ECA	external carotid artery
ECT	electroconvulsive therapy
EDC	estimated date of confinement / estimated date of conception
EF	ejection fraction
EGA	estimated gestational age
EGBUS	external genitalia, Bartholin, urethral and Skene (glands)
EGD	esophagogastroduodenoscopy
EGJ	esophagogastric junction
EHL	extensor hallucis longus
EKG	electrocardiogram
EMG	electromyogram
EMS	emergency medical services
EMT	emergency medical technician
ENT	ears, nose, throat
EOM	extraocular movement / extraocular muscle
EOMI	extraocular movements intact / extraocular muscles intact
EOMS	extraocular movements / extraocular muscles
EPS	electrophysiologic study
ER	emergency room
ERCP	endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography
ESR	erythrocyte sedimentation rate
ESRD	end-stage renal disease
ESWL	extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy
ET	endotracheal tube
ETOH	ethanol
FBS	fasting blood sugar
FEV1	forced expiratory volume in one second
FFP	fresh frozen plasma
FNA	fine needle aspiration
GAD	generalized anxiety disorder
GBS	group B strep / - group B streptococcus
GC	gonorrhea
GCS	Glasgow coma scale
GERD	gastroesophageal reflux disease
GTT	glucose tolerance test
G-tube	gastrostomy tube
GU	genitourinary
GYN	gynecology
H&H	hemoglobin and hematocrit
H&P	history and physical

HBO	hyperbaric oxygen
HCG	human chorionic gonadotropin
HCT	hematocrit
HCTZ	hydrochlorothiazide
HEENT	head, eyes, ears, nose, and throat
HEME/ONC	hematology/oncology
HGB / Hgb	hemoglobin
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HNP	herniated nucleus pulposus
HPI	history of present illness
HPV	human papilloma virus
HR	heart rate / hallux rigidus / Harrington rod
HRT	hormone replacement therapy
HSM	hepatosplenomegaly
HSV	herpes simplex virus
HTN	hypertension
I&D	incision and drainage / irrigation and debridement
I&O	in and out / input and output / intake and output
IBD	inflammatory bowel disease / irritable bowel disease
IBS	irritable bowel syndrome
ICD	implantable cardioverter-defibrillator
ICP	intracranial pressure
ICU	intensive care unit
ID	infectious disease
IDA	iron-deficiency anemia
IDC	idiopathic dilated cardiomyopathy / infiltrating ductal carcinoma
IDD	insulin-dependent diabetes
IDDM	insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus
ILD	interstitial lung disease
IM	intramedullary / intramuscular
IMF	intermaxillary fixation / idiopathic myelofibrosis / inframammary fold
IOL	intraocular lens
IOP	intraocular pressure
IP	interphalangeal
IT	iliotibial
ITP	idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura
IUD	intrauterine device
IUP	intrauterine pregnancy
IV	intravenous
IVC	inferior vena cava
IVP	intravenous pyelogram
IVUS	intravascular ultrasound
JP	Jackson-Pratt / as in JP drain or Jackson-Pratt drain
JVD	jugular venous distention
JVP	jugular venous pressure
KUB	kidneys, ureters, bladder
L&D	labor and delivery
LAD	left anterior descending / left axis deviation

LBBB	left bundle branch block
LFT	liver function test
LIMA	left internal mammary artery
LLQ	left lower quadrant
LMA	laryngeal mask airway
LMP	last menstrual period
LP	lumbar puncture
LR	lactated Ringer
LS	lumbrosacral
L-spine	lumbar spine
LV	left ventricle / left ventricular
LVEDP	left ventricular end-diastolic pressure
LVH	left ventricular hypertrophy
lytes (slang)	electrolytes
MAC	monitored anesthesia care
MAR	medication administration record
MCL	medial collateral ligament
MCP	metacarpophalangeal
MDI	metered-dose inhaler
MI	myocardial infarction
MOM	milk of magnesia
MR	mitral regurgitation
MRSA (sounds "MERSA")	methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus
MS	mitral stenosis / morphine sulfate / multiple sclerosis
MSSA	methicillin-susceptible Staphylococcus aureus
MTP	metatarsophalangeal (joint)
MVR	mitral valve replacement
NAD	no apparent (acute) distress
NG tube	nasogastric tube
NICU	neonatal intensive care unit
NIDDM	non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus
NKDA	no known drug allergies
NOS	not otherwise specified
n.p.o.	nothing by mouth
NSAID	nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug
NSR	normal sinus rhythm
NSVD	normal spontaneous vaginal delivery
NYHA	New York Heart Association
O&P	ova and parasites (dictated in stool exam results)
OA	osteoarthritis / occiput anterior
OB	obstetrics
OCD	obsessive-compulsive disorder
OD	right eye
OR	operating room
ORIF	open reduction and internal fixation
OSA	obstructive sleep apnea
OT	occupational therapy

OTC	over the counter
OU	both eyes
PACU	postanesthesia care unit
PAF	paroxysmal atrial fibrillation / platelet-activating factor / pollen adherence factor
PCA	patient-controlled analgesia
PCI	percutaneous coronary intervention
PCL	posterior cruciate ligament
PCP	primary care physician
PDA	posterior descending artery / patent ductus arteriosus
PE	physical examination
PE	pulmonary embolism (or embolus)
PEG	percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy
PERRLA	pupils equal, round, reactive to light and accommodation
PFO	patent foramen ovale
PFT	pulmonary function test
PICC	peripherally inserted central catheter
PID	pelvic inflammatory disease
PIP	proximal interphalangeal
PMD	primary/private medical doctor
PMH	past medical history
PMI	point of maximal impulse
PND	paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnea
PPI	proton pump inhibitor
PRBCs	packed red blood cells
protime	prothrombin time
PSA	prostate-specific antigen
PT	physical therapy / posterior tibial / prothrombin time
PTCA	percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty
PTSD	post-traumatic stress disorder
PUBS	percutaneous umbilical cord blood sampling / perforations, ulcers, and bleeds
PVC	premature ventricular contraction
PVD	peripheral vascular disease
PVR	postvoid residual
R/O	rule out
RA	rheumatoid arthritis
RBBB	right bundle branch block
RCA	right coronary artery
RDI	respiratory disturbance index
RDS	respiratory distress syndrome
ROM	range of motion / rupture of membranes
ROMI	rule out myocardial infarction
ROS	review of systems
RR	respiratory rate
RRR	regular rate and rhythm
RSD	reflex sympathetic dystrophy
RSV	respiratory syncytial virus
RV	right ventricle
RVR	rapid ventricular response

S/P	status post
SBE	subacute bacterial endocarditis / self-breast examination
SCD	sequential compression device
SFA	superficial femoral artery
SI	sacroiliac (joint)
SIDS	sudden infant death syndrome
SLE	systemic lupus erythematosus / slit-lamp exam
SLR	straight leg raise
SNF	skilled nursing facility
SPEP	serum protein electrophoresis
subcu /subq	subcutaneous or subcutaneously
SSEPs	somatosensory evoked potential
SSI	sliding scale insulin
SSRI	selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor
STD	sexually transmitted disease
SVC	superior vena cava
SVG	saphenous vein graft
T&A	tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy
TAH	total abdominal hysterectomy
TAHBSO	total abdominal hysterectomy and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy
TCC	transitional cell cancer
TEE	transesophageal echocardiography
TFCC	triangular fibrocartilage complex
THA	total hip arthroplasty
THR	total hip replacement
TIA	transient ischemic attack
tib-fib	tibia and fibula
TIPS	transjugular intrahepatic portosystemic shunt
TKA	total knee arthroplasty
TKR	total knee replacement
TLIF	transforaminal lumbar interbody fusion
TM	tympanic membrane
TMJ	temporomandibular joint
TPN	total parenteral nutrition
TR	tricuspid regurgitation
T-spine	thoracic spine
TURP	transurethral resection of the prostate
UA	urinalysis
UPEP	urine protein electrophoresis
UPJ	ureteropelvic junction
UPPP	uvulopalatopharyngoplasty
URI	upper respiratory infection
UTI	urinary tract infection
UVJ	ureterovesical junction
VBAC	vaginal birth after cesarean section
VCUG	voiding cystourethrogram
VF	ventricular fibrillation
VSD	ventriculoseptal defect

VT	ventricular tachycardia
VTA	vascular targeting agent / ventral tegmental area
WDWN	well developed, well nourished

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