

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| Abbreviation | Meaning | Date added / archived |
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| A | | |
| AAA | Abdominal aortic aneurysm | |
| AA | Alcoholics Anonymous | |
| (A) | Assistance | Added - 05/04/2013 |
| a/a | As above | |
| A1, A2 | Aortic Valve, 1st sound, 2nd sound | |
| AAROM | Active assisted range of movement (physio) | |
| AAV | AIDS-associated virus | |
| AAL | Anterior axillary line | |
| Ab | Antibody | |
| AB | Apex beat | |
| ABBI | Advanced breast biopsy instrumentation | |
| Abd | Abduction (physio) | |
| ABG | Arterial blood gases | |
| ABI | Acquired brain impairment/injury | |
| ABPI | Ankle brachial pressure index | Added - 19/04/2013 |
| ABS | Acute brain syndrome | |
| A-C | Acromioclavicular (physio) | |
| 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 | |
| ACTH | Adreno-corticotrophic hormone | |
| ACS | Acute coronary syndrome | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| AFB | Acid fast bacilli | |
| AFO | Ankle-foot orthosis (physio) | |
| AFP | Alphafoetoproteins | |
| Agg | Aggravating (physio) | |
| AGN | Acute glomerulonephritis | |
| AH | Abdominal hysterectomy | |

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| AHA | Assisted Han Assessment (physio) | |
| AHD | Arteriosclerotic/atherosclerotic heart disease | |
| AHF | Antihaemolytic factor | |
| AI | Aortic incompetence | |
| AICD | Automated implantable cardioverter-defibrillator | |
| AIDS | Acquired immune deficiency syndrome | |
| AIMS | Alberta Infant Motor Scale (physio) | |
| AIN | Assistant in Nursing | |
| AIVR | Accelerated idioventricular rhythm | |
| AJ | Ankle jerk | |
| AK | Above knee | |
| AKA | Above knee amputation | |
| 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 sly | Alternate side lying (physio) | |
| AM | Active movement (physio) | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| APD | Automated peritoneal dialysis | |
| APH | Ante-partum haemorrhage | |
| APO | Acute pulmonary oedema | |
| Appt. | Appointment | |
| APTT | Activated partial thromboplastin time | |
| APR | Abdominoperineal resection | |
| APS | Acute Pain Service | |
| ARBD | Alcohol related brain damage (mental health) | |
| ARC | AIDS Related Complex | |
| ARDS | Adult/acute respiratory distress syndrome | |
| ARF | Acute renal failure | |
| ARM | Artificial rupture of membranes | |

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| AROM | Active range of movement (physio) | |
| ARV | AIDS Related Virus | |
| AS | Aortic stenosis | |
| ASAP | As soon as possible | |
| ASCVD | Arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease | |
| ASD | Atrial septal defect | |
| ASET | Aged Services in Emergency Team | |
| ASHD | Arteriosclerotic heart disease | |
| ASO | Arteriosclerotic obliterans | |
| Asp. | Aspirate | |
| ASVD | Arteriosclerotic vascular disease | |
| ATFL | Anterior tibiofibular ligament (physio) | |
| ATN | Acute tubular necrosis | |
| ATNR | Asymmetrical tonic neck reflex (physio) | |
| ATOR | At time of report | |
| ATS | Antitetanus serum | |
| ATSP | Asked to see patient | |
| Aug. | Augmentation | |
| Ausc. | Auscultation (physio) | |
| AV | Aortic valve | |
| AVAC | Atrioventricular accessory conduction | |
| AVB | Atrioventricular block | |
| AVF | Acute ventricular failure | |
| AVM | Arteriovenous malformation | |
| AVN | Atrioventricular necrosis | |
| AVO | Apprehended violence order (mental health) | |
| AVR | Aortic valve replacement | |
| AVRT | Atrioventricular re-entrant/reciprocating tachycardia | |
| A/W | Associated with | |
| AWOL | Absent without leave (mental health) | |
| AWS | Alcohol withdrawal syndrome | |
| Ax | Assessment (physio) | |
| AXR | Abdominal x-ray | |
| AZ | Ascheim-Zondek (test) | |
| B | | |
| // bars | Parallel bars | |
| Ba | Barium | |
| BAD | Bipolar affective disorder | |
| BAER | Brainstem auditory evoked response | |
| BAL | Blood alcohol level | |
| BAWO | Bilateral antrum washout | |
| BBA | Born before arrival | |
| BBB | Bundle branch block | |
| BBBB | Bilateral bundle branch block | |
| BBS | Bronchial breath sounds | |
| BC | Blood culture | |
| BCA | Balloon catheter angioplasty | |
| BCC | Basal cell carcinoma | |
| BCCA | Bilateral common carotid angiogram | |
| BCG | Bacillus of Calmette and Guerin | |
| b.d. | Twice a day | |
| BE | Barium Enema | |
| BEA | Below elbow amputation | |

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| B/F | Breast feeding | |
| BGL | Blood glucose | |
| BIBA | Brought in by ambulance | |
| BIH | Benign intracranial hypertension | |
| Bilat | Bilateral (physio) | |
| BIP | Benign intracranial pressure | |
| BiPAP | Bilevel positive airway pressure | |
| BJ | Biceps jerk | |
| BK | Below knee | |
| BKA | Below knee amputation | |
| BM | Bone marrow | |
| BMAT | Bone marrow aspiration and trephine | |
| BMB | Bone marrow biopsy | |
| BMH | Benign monoclonal hypergammaglobulinaemia | |
| BMI | Body mass index | |
| BMR | Basal metabolic rate | |
| BMT | Bone marrow transplant | |
| BNO | Bladder neck obstruction | |
| BO | Bowels open | |
| B/O | Baby of | |
| BOO | Bladder outlet obstruction | |
| BOOP | Bronchiolitis obliterans organising pneumonia | |
| Borg RPE | Borg rating of perceived exertion (physio) | |
| BOS | Base of support (physio) | |
| BP | Blood pressure | |
| BPAD | Bipolar affective disorder (mental health) | |
| BPD (use with care) | Bronchopulmonary dysplasia | |
| BPH | Benign prostatic hypertrophy/hyperplasia | |
| BPM | Beats per minute | |
| BPSD | Behavioural & psychological symptoms of dementia | |
| BPTT | Brachial plexus tension test provocation (physio) | |
| BS | Bowel sounds | |
| BSA | Body surface area | |
| BSL | Blood stained liquor | |
| BSO | Bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy | |
| BSS | Black silk sutures | |
| BSLT | Bilateral sequential lung transplantation | |
| B/U | Blood urea | |
| BUN | Blood urea nitrogen | |
| BVF | Bilateral ventricular failure | |
| BW | Birth weight | |
| BWt | Body weight | |
| Bx | Biopsy | |
| BXO | Balanitis xerotica obliterans | |
| C | | |
| /C | With | |
| C | Cough (physio) | |
| C1-7 | Cervical vertebrae 1-7 | |
| C&C | Collar and Cuff | |
| Ca. | Carcinoma | |
| CABG | Coronary artery bypass graft | |

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| CACP | Community Aged Care Package | |
| CAD | Coronary artery disease | |
| CADE | Confused and disabled elderly | |
| CADL | Community activities of daily living | |
| CAG | Coronary artery graft | |
| CAH | Chronic active hepatitis | |
| Ca in Situ | Carcinoma in situ | |
| Cal. | Calorie | |
| CAL | Chronic airway limitation | |
| CALD | Chronic alcoholic liver disease | |
| CALD | Culturally and linguistically diverse | |
| Call. | Callous (podiatry) | |
| Cap. | Capsule | |
| CAPD | Continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis | |
| 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 | |
| CBS | Chronic brain syndrome | |
| CBSL | Capillary blood sugar level | |
| CBV | Cord blood vessels | |
| CCA | Common carotid artery | |
| CCD | Continuous catheter drainage | |
| CCF | Congestive cardiac failure | |
| CCPD | Continuous cyclic peritoneal dialysis | |
| CCS | Classical caesarean section | |
| CCT | Continuous/controlled cord traction | |
| CCU | Coronary care unit | |
| CDCR | Canaliculodacryocystorhinostomy | |
| CDE | Common bile duct exploration | |
| CDH | Congenital diaphragmatic hernia | |
| 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 | |
| CFA | Common femoral artery | |
| CFS | Chronic fatigue syndrome | |
| CFT | Complement fixation test | |
| CGD | Chronic granulomatous disease | |
| CHB | Complete heart block | |
| CHD | Congenital heart disease | |
| CHC | Community Health Centre | |
| CHD | Congenital heart disease | |
| CHF | Congestive heart failure | |
| CHI | Closed head injury | |
| CHL | Conductive hearing loss | |
| Chol. | Cholesterol | |
| chr. | Chronic | |

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| CHx | Current history (physio) | |
| C/I | Contraindicated (physio) | |
| CIA | Common iliac artery | |
| CIBH | Change in bowel habit | |
| CIDP | Chronic inflammatory demyelination polyradioneuropathy | |
| Cigs. | Cigarettes | |
| CIN | Cervical intra-epithelial neoplasia | |
| Circ Obs | Circulatory observations (physio) | |
| CIS | Carcinoma in situ | |
| CK | Creatinine kinase | |
| CLBBB | Complete left bundle branch block | |
| CLD | Chronic liver disease | |
| 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 | |
| CMV | Cytomegalovirus | |
| CMS | Clinical Midwife Specialist | Added 19.4.13 |
| CNC | Clinical nurse consultant | |
| CNH | Chondrodermatitis nodularis chronica helcis | |
| CNP | Continuous negative pressure ventilation | |
| CNPB | Continuous negative pressure breathing | |
| CNPU | Cannot pass urine | |
| CNS | Central nervous system | |
| CNS | Clinical Nurse Specialist | Added 19.4.13 |
| c/o | Complains of | |
| CO | Cardiac output | |
| CO2 | Carbon dioxide | |
| Co1-3 | Coxageal segments (physio) | |
| COAD | Chronic ostructive airways disease | |
| COB | Chronic obstructive bronchitis | |
| CO/C1 | Atlanto-axial joint (physio) | |
| COJ | Cardio-oesophageal junction | |
| Cont. | Continued | |
| 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/CPBP | Cardiopulmonary bypass | |
| CPD | Cephalopelvic disproportion | |
| cPNET | Central primitive neuroectodermal tumour | |
| CPPD | Calcium Pyrophosphate Dihydrate (Crystal Deposition Disease) | |
| CPR | Cardio-pulmonary resuscitation | |
| CR | Controlled release (used after a drug name) | |
| CRBBA | Complete right bundle branch block | |
| CRC | Colorectal cancer | |
| creps. | Crepitations (physio) | |

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| CREST (syndrome) | abbreviation for calcinosis, Raynaud's phenomenon, esophageal dysfunction, sclerodactyly, and telangiectasis | Updated 19.4.13 |
| 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&S | Culture and sensitivity | |
| CSA | Central sleep apnoea | |
| CSF | Cerebrospinal fluid | |
| CSHS | Central sleep hypopnea syndrome | |
| CSOM | Chronic suppurative otitis media | |
| CSU | Catheter specimen of urine | |
| CT | Computerised tomography | |
| CTD | Carpal tunnel decompression | |
| CTG | Cardiotocograph | |
| CTM | Connective tissue massage (physio) | |
| CTO | Community Treatment Order | |
| CTR | Carpal tunnel release | |
| CTS | Carpal tunnel syndrome | |
| CTSP | Called to see patient | |
| CUP | Chemical use in pregnancy | |
| C/US | Continuous ultrasound (physio) | |
| CVA | Cerebrovascular accident | |
| CVC | Central venous catheter | |
| CVD | Cerebrovascular disease | |
| CVL | Central venous line | |
| CVP | Central venous pressure | |
| CVS | Cardiovascular system | |
| CVVH | Continuous veno-venous haemofiltration | |
| CVVHD | Continuous veno-venous haemodialysis | |
| Cx | Cervix | |
| CXR | Chest x-ray | |
| D | | |
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| DADL | Domestic activities of daily living (occ. Therapy) | |
| D&A | Drug and alcohol (mental health) | |
| DADHC | Dept of Aging, Disability and Home Care (mental health) | |
| DAI | Diffuse axonal injury | |
| 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 | Added - 05/04/2013 |
| D&C | Dilatation and curettage | |
| DCIS | Ductal carcinoma in situ | |
| DCR | Dacryocystorhinostomy | |
| DDx | Differential diagnosis | |

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| DD | Dangerous drugs | |
| DDD | Degenerative disc disorder | |
| Dec. | Decreased (physio) | |
| Derm. | Dermatology | |
| DF | Dorsiflexion (physio) | |
| DHS | Dynamic hip screw | |
| 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 erythematosus | |
| DLT | Double lumen tube | |
| DM | Diabetes mellitus | |
| DML | Diffuse, mixed small and large cell lymphoma | |
| DNA | Did not attend | |
| 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 | |
| DOE | Dyspnoea on exertion | |
| DOH | Department of Housing | |
| DON | Director of Nursing | |
| DOPS | Diffuse obstructive pulmonary syndrome | |
| DORV | Double outlet right ventricle | |
| DPT | Diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus (vaccine) | |
| Dr. | Doctor | |
| DREZ | Dorsal root entry zone | |
| D/S | Dorsal surface (podiatry) | |
| DSA | Digital subtraction angiography | |
| DSCL | Diffuse small cleaved-cell lymphoma | |
| DSH | Deliberate self harm (mental health) | |
| DST | Dexamethasone suppression test | |
| DSTM | Deep soft tissue massage (physio) | |
| DTA | 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) | |

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| 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 | |
| ECG | Electrocardiogram | |
| Echo. | Echocardiogram | |
| EC-IC | Extracranial to intracranial (Vascular Bypass) | |
| ECMO | Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation | |
| E Coli | Escherichia coli | |
| ECSWL | Extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy | |
| ECT | Electroconvulsive therapy | |
| ECTR | Endoscopic carpal tunnel release | |
| ECV | External cephalic version | |
| ED | Emergency Department | |
| EDB | Epidural block | |
| EDC | Estimated date of confinement | |
| EDH | Extradural haemorrhage | |
| EEG | Electroencephalogram | |
| EEN | Endorsed Enrolled Nurse | Added 19.4.13 |
| EER | Estimated energy requirements (dietetics) | |
| EF | Ejection fraction | |
| EGD | Esophagogastroduodenoscopy | |
| EIL | Extension in lying (physio) | |
| EIS | Extension in standing (physio) | |
| EJV | External jugular vein | |
| Elev. | Elevation (physio) | |
| EMG | Electromyogram | |
| EMLA (trade name) | Eutectic mixture of local anaesthetics-Copyright Astra Pharmaceuticals | |
| EMS | Elderly Mobility Test (physio) | |
| EN | Enrolled nurse | |
| Eng. | Engaged | |
| ENG | Electronystagmogram | |
| ENT | Ear, nose and throat | |
| E/O | Examination of | |
| EOG | Electro-oculography | |
| EOM | Extra-ocular movements | |
| EOR | End of range (physio) | |
| EPG | Electrophoretogram | |

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| EPR | Estimated protein requirements (dietetics) | |
| EPS | Electrophysiological studies | |
| EPSE | Extra-pyramidal side effects (mental health) | |
| ER | External rotation (physio) | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| Ev. | Eversion (physio) | |
| EWC | Electric wheelchair | |
| Ex | Excision | |
| Ex's | Exercises | |
| Exp. | Expiratory (physio) | |
| Ext. | Extension (physio) | |
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| F | | |
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| F&A | Foot and ankle (physio) | |
| FACH | Forceps to after coming head | |
| FASF | Forearm support frame (physio) | |
| FB | Foreign body | |
| FBC | Full blood count | |
| 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 | |
| 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) | |

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| FISS | Flexion in step standing (physio) | |
| FIVD | Fixed interval variable dose | |
| FLCL | Follicular large cell lymphoma | |
| 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 | |
| FOOB | Fell out of bed | |
| FPA | Family planning association | |
| FPG | Fasting plasma glucose | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | | |
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| g | Gram | |
| GA | General anaesthetic | |
| GAMP | General anaesthesia manipulation & plaster | |
| GANT | Gastrointestinal autonomic nerve tumour | |
| GB | Gallbladder | |
| GBPS | Gated blood pool scan | |
| GBS | Group B Streptococcus | |
| GCMS | Gas chromatography mass spectrometry | |
| GCS | Glasgow coma scale | |
| GDM | Gestational diabetes mellitus | |
| GE | Gastroenteritis | |
| GFR | Glomerular filtration rate | |

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| 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 | Change to GDM - Gestational Diabetes Mellitus - Belinda Lee |
| GIFT | Gamete intrafallopian transfer | |
| GIH | Gastrointestinal haemorrhage | |
| GIST | Gastrointestinal stomal tumour | |
| GIT | Gastrointestinal tract | |
| g/l | Grams per litre | |
| GM | Grand mal (epilepsy) | |
| GMFCS | Gross Motor Function Classification Scale (physio) | |
| GN | Glomerulonephritis | |
| GNC | General nursing care (mental health) | |
| 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 | Gun shot wound | |
| 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 | |
| Gyn. | Gynaecology | |
| H | | |
| | | |
| Hb | Haemoglobin | |
| H | 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 | Heart block | |
| 1qHB | First degree heart block | |
| HBB | Hand behind back (physio) | |
| HBH | Hand behind head (physio) | |
| HBIG | Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin | |
| HBO | Hyperbaric oxygenation | |
| H'box | Headbox | |

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| | | |
|------------------|---|--|
| HBV | Hepatitis B Virus | |
| H&C | Huff and cough (physio) | |
| HC | Head circumference | |
| H/C | Hot/cold (physio) | |
| HCA | Health Care Agency (mental health) | |
| HCCC | Health Care Complaints Commission (mental health) | |
| HCIS | Health Care Interpreter Service (mental health) | |
| Hct | Haematocrit | |
| HCV | Hepatitis C virus | |
| HCVD | Hypertensive cardiovascular disease | |
| HD | Haemodialysis | |
| H/D | Heloma durum (podiatry) | |
| HDL | High density lipoprotein | |
| HDT | Head down tilt (physio) | |
| HDU | High Dependency Unit | |
| HEHP | High energy high protein (dietetics) | |
| HEP | Home exercise program (physio) | |
| Hep A, B, C | Hepatitis A, B, C etc.. | |
| HGH | Human growth hormone | |
| HH | Hiatus hernia | |
| HSH | 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 | |
| HNPV | Has not passed urine | |
| H/O, HO | History of | |
| H ₂ O | Water | |
| HOCM | Hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy | |
| HONK | Hyperosmolar nonketotic coma | |
| HPC | History of present condition | |
| HPF | High power field | |
| HPFH | Hereditary persistence of foetal haemoglobin | |
| HPI | History of present illness | |
| HPO | Hypertrophic pulmonary osteopathy | |
| HPU | Has passed urine | |
| HPV | Human papilloma virus | |
| HPVD | Hypertensive pulmonary vascular disease | |
| HR | Heart rate | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|------------------|---|-----------------------|
| H-R | Hamilton Russell (traction) | |
| H/R | Hold relax (physio) | |
| 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 | |
| Hz | Hertz | |
| HZ | Herpes zoster | |
| HZV | Herpes zoster virus | |
| I | | |
| (I) | Independent | Added - 05/04/2013 |
| I ¹³¹ | Iodine - 131, radioiodine | |
| IABCP | Intra-aortic balloon counterpulsator | |
| 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 | |
| ICE | Iridocorneal endothelial (syndrome) | |
| IC-EC | Intracranial to Extracranial (vascular bypass) | |
| ICF | Intravascular coagulation-fibrinolysis (syndrome) | |
| ICP | Intracranial pressure | |
| ICS | Intercostal space | |
| ICU | Intensive Care Unit | |
| ID | Identification (bands on babies) (obstetrics) | |
| I & D | Incision and drainage | |
| IDC | Indwelling catheter | |
| IDDM | Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus | |
| IDM | Infant of diabetic mother | |
| IDS | Interdigital space (podiatry) | |
| IDW | Interdigital wedge (podiatry) | |
| IE | Inspiratory:expiratory (ratio) (physio) | |
| IEC | Intraepithelial carcinoma | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|---------|---|--|
| IEPC | Immunoelectrophoresis | |
| IF | Immunofluorescence | |
| IFT | Interferential therapy (physio) | |
| Ig | Immunoglobulin | |
| IG | Intragastric | |
| IGF | Insulin-like growth factor | |
| IgG | Immunoglobulin G | |
| IGR | Impaired glucose regulation | |
| IGTN | Ingrown toenail | |
| IH | Incisional hernia | |
| IHD | Ischaemic heart disease | |
| IHSS | Idiopathic hypertrophic subaortic stenosis | |
| II | Image intensifier | |
| IJV | Internal jugular vein | |
| IM; I/M | Intramuscular | |
| IMA | Internal mammary artery | |
| IMB | Intermenstrual bleeding | |
| IMC | Incomplete miscarriage | |
| IMI | Intramuscular injection | |
| IMT | Isometric muscle testing (physio) | |
| IMV | Intermittent mandatory ventilation | |
| Inf. | Inferior | |
| inj. | Injection | |
| INR | International normalised ratio | |
| Insp. | Inspiratory (physio) | |
| Int. | Internal (physio) | |
| Inv. | Inversion (physio) | |
| I/O | Insertion of | |
| 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) | |
| IQ | Intelligence quotient | |
| 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 | |
| isq | Condition unchanged (in status quo) | |
| IST | Infraspinatus tendon (physio) | |
| ISWT | Incremental Shuttle Walk Test (physio) | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|----------|--|--|
| I/T | Intermittent (physio) | |
| I/T C Tx | 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 | |
| Ix | Investigation | |
| J | | |
| | | |
| JCA | Juvenile chronic arthritis | |
| JDM | Juvenile diabetes mellitus | |
| JGOS | Joint guarantee of Service (mental health) | |
| jj | jaw jerks | |
| JJ | Jejunostomy (dietetics) | |
| JMO | Junior medical officer | |
| JO | Juvenile onset (mental health) | |
| JRA | Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis | |
| Jt. | Joint (physio) | |
| JVP | Jugular venous pressure | |
| JVPq | Jugular venous pressure not raised | |
| JVPCR | Jugular venous pressure not raised | |
| K | | |
| | | |
| kg | Kilogram | |
| kj | knee jerks | |
| Kl | Kilolitre | |
| Km | Kilometre | |
| KR/KF | Kiellands rotation/Kiellands forceps | |
| KR | Kiellands rotation | |
| KS | Kaposi's sarcoma | |
| KUB | Kidney, ureters, and bladder | |
| K Wire | Kirschner wire | |
| L | | |
| | | |
| L 1-5 | Lumbar vertebrae 1-5 | |
| L | Litre | |
| LA | Local anaesthetic | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|-------|--|--|
| LAD | Left axis deviation | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| LFTs | Liver function tests | |
| LGA | Large for gestational age | |
| LGV | Lymphogranuloma venereum | |
| LH | Luteinising hormone | |
| LHF | Left heart failure | |
| LICS | Left intercostal space | |
| LIF | Left iliac fossa | |
| ligs. | Ligaments (physio) | |
| LIH | 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 | |
| LZ | Lower zone | |
| 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 | |
| L/N | Lymph node | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|----------|--|--|
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| MAS | Motor assessment scale (physio) | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|------------|---|--|
| MAST | Military anti-shock trousers | |
| Max. | Maximum (physio) | |
| MBA | Motor bike accident | |
| MBD | Minimal brain dysfunction | |
| MBS | Modified barium swallow (speech path) | |
| MC | Miscarriage | |
| MCA | Middle cerebral artery | |
| MCG | Micturating cystogram | |
| MCH | Mean corpuscular haemoglobin | |
| MCHC | Mean corpuscular haemoglobin concentration | |
| MCL | Mid-clavicular line | |
| MCLS | Mucocutaneous lymph node syndrome | |
| MCP | Metacarpophalangeal (physio) | |
| MCS | Microscopy, culture and sensitivity | |
| 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 | |
| ME | Myalgic encephalitis | |
| Mec. | Meconium | |
| Mec liq | Meconium liquor | |
| Meds | Medications | |
| Med. | Medial (physio) | |
| MED | Minimal erythema dose | |
| MELAS | episodes | |
| MEN | Multiple endocrine neoplasia | |
| Meq. | Milli-equivalents | |
| METS; Mets | Metastatic | |
| MFC | Medial femoral condyle | |
| MFD | Mid forceps delivery | |
| Mg | Magnesium | |
| mg | Milligram | |
| MGA | Manipulation under general anaesthetic | |
| MGM | Maternal grandmother | |
| MGTT | Modified glucose tolerance test | |
| MGUS | Monoclonal gammopathy of undetermined significance | |
| MH | Mental health (mental health) | |
| MHA | Mental Health Act (mental health) | |
| MH-BMS | Mental Health Bed Management System (mental health) | |
| MHDAO | Mental health and Drug and Alcohol Office (mental 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 | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|----------|---|--|
| ML | Middle lobe (lung) | |
| MLB | Monaural loudness balance (hearing test) | |
| MLD | Masking level difference (hearing test) | |
| mm | Millimetre | |
| MM | Multiple Myeloma | |
| mmHg | Millimetres of mercury | |
| MMK | Marshall-Marchetti-Krantz operation | |
| mmol | millimole | |
| MMR | Measles-mumps-rubella (vaccine) | |
| MMSE | Mini mental state examination | |
| MMT | Manual muscle testing (physio) | |
| MND | Motor neurone disease | |
| MNG | Multinodular goitre | |
| MO | Medical officer | |
| Mob. | Mobilise (physio) | |
| MOD | Mature onset diabetes | |
| mods. | Modifications (occ therapy) | |
| MODY | Maturity-onset diabetes of the young | |
| MOW | Meals on wheels | |
| m/p | Medial plantar (podiatry) | |
| MP1 | Mallampati 1 (a score for mouth opening in anaesthesia, 1-4 grades) | |
| MPNST | Malignant peripheral nerve sheath tumour | |
| MPS | Myocardial perfusion scan/study | |
| MPV | Mean platelet volume | |
| MR | Mitral regurgitation | |
| MRA | Magnetic resonance angiography | |
| MRCP | Magnetic resonance cholangiopancreatography | |
| MRI | Magnetic resonance imaging | |
| MROP | Manual removal of placenta | |
| MRP | Motor relearning programme (occ therapy) | |
| MRSA | Methicillin/Multiple resistant staphylococcus aureus | |
| MS | Mitral stenosis | |
| MSA | Mammary specific antigen | |
| MSE | Mental state examination (mental health) | |
| MSL | Meconium stained liquor | |
| MSLT | Multiple sleep latency test | |
| MSU | Mid stream urine | |
| m/sulcus | Medial sulcus (podiatry) | |
| MTD | Muscle tension dysphonia | |
| MTP | Metatarsophalangeal (physio) (podiatry) | |
| MUA | Manipulation under anaesthetic | |
| MULE | Multiple upper limb exerciser | |
| Multip. | Multipara = more than one live birth | |
| 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) | |
| Mx | Management | |
| Myco. | Mycobacterium | |
| MZ | Middle/mid zone | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| N | |
|-------|--|
| N | Normal |
| NAD | No abnormality detected |
| NAFLD | Non-alcoholic fatty liver disease |
| NANB | Non-A/Non-B (viral hepatitis) |
| NASH | Nonalcoholic steatohepatitis |
| NB | Newborn |
| NBF | Neville Barnes forceps (low) |
| NBM | Nil by mouth |
| NBST | Newborn screening test |
| NCV | Nerve conduction study |
| N/D | Normal delivery |
| NE | Not engaged |
| N/E | No effect (physio) |
| Neb. | Nebuliser/nebulised |
| NEC | Necrotising enterocolitis |
| NESB | Non English-speaking background |
| NETS | NSW newborn & paediatric Emergency Transport Service |
| NFA | No fixed address |
| NFO | No further orders |
| NFR | Not for resuscitation |
| N/G | Nasogastric (dietetics) |
| NGO | Non-government organisation (mental health) |
| NGT | Nasogastric tube |
| NGU | Nongonococcal urethritis |
| NH | Nursing home |
| NHL | Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma |
| NHT | Nursing home type |
| NIBP | Non-invasive blood pressure |
| NICU | Neonatal intensive care unit |
| NIDDM | Not insulin dependent diabetes mellitus |
| NIHSS | National Institute of Health Stroke Scale (physio) |
| NIMV | Non invasive mask ventilation |
| 9-HPT | Nine-Hole Peg Test (physio) |
| NIPV | Non invasive pressure ventilation |
| NJ | Nasojejunal (dietetics) |
| NK | Nil known; not known |
| NKA | No known allergies |
| NKDA | No known drug allergies |
| NLE | Neonatal lupus erythematosus |
| NMP | Normal menstrual period |
| NMS | Neuroleptic malignant syndrome |
| NMRI | Nuclear magnetic resonance imaging |
| NND | Neonatal death |
| NOAD | No other abnormality detected |
| Nocte | At night |
| NOF | Neck of femur |
| NOH | Neck of humerus |
| NOK | Next of kin |
| NOLD | No osseous lesion detected |
| NOS | Not otherwise specified |
| NP | Non productive (physio) |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|----------|---|---------------|
| NP | Nurse Practitioner | Added 19.4.13 |
| NPA | Nasopharyngeal airway | |
| NPO2 | Nasal prong oxygen | |
| npu | Not passed urine | |
| NR | Normal range | |
| NRB | Non rebreather (mask) | |
| N/S | Normal saline | |
| NS | Nuclear sclerosis (cataract) | |
| 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 | |
| NUM | Nurse unit manager | |
| NWB | Non weight bearing | |
| O | | |
| O2 | Oxygen | |
| O: | Objective (physio) | |
| OA | Occipito-anterior (L or R) | |
| O/A | On admission; on arrival | |
| OB | Obstetrics | |
| Obs. | Observations (physio) | |
| OBS | Organic brain syndrome | |
| O/C | Onychocryptosis (podiatry) | |
| OCD | Osteochondritis dissecans | |
| OCP | Oral contraceptive pill | |
| O/D | Overdose | |
| O/E | On examination | |
| OFD | Orofaciodigital (syndrome) | |
| OG | Orogastric (dietetics) | |
| O/G | Onychogryphosis (podiatry) | |
| O&G | Obstetrics and Gynaecology | |
| OGD | Oesophagogastroduodenoscopy | |
| OHI | Oral hygiene instruction | |
| OH&S | Occupational health and safety | |
| Oint | Ointment | |
| OJ | Other joints (physio) | |
| OM | Otitis media | |
| O/M | Onychomycosis (podiatry) | |
| O/N | Overnight | |
| OP | Operation | |
| 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 | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|------------------|---|--|
| OSHS | Obstructive sleep hypopnoea syndrome | |
| OT | Occipitotransverse | |
| OTA | Over toilet aid (occ therapy) | |
| Outs | Outfractures | |
| P | | |
| | | |
| P: | Plan (physio) | |
| P1, P2 | Pulmonary valve, first sound or second sound | |
| PA | Per axilla | |
| PAC | Premature atrial contractions | |
| PACE | Promoting aphasic's communicative effectiveness (speech path) | |
| PADL | Personal activities of daily living (occ therapy) | |
| PADP | Program of Aids for Disabled People (occ therapy) | |
| Paed | Paediatrics | |
| palp. | Palpitations (physio) | |
| PAMS | Passive accessory movements (physio) | |
| PAIVMS | Passive accessory intervertebral movements (physio) | |
| PAN | Polyarteritis nodosa | |
| PAP | Primary atypical pneumonia | |
| PAPP-A | Pregnancy-associated plasma protein A | |
| Pap smear | Papanicolaou smear test | |
| Para | Paraplegic | |
| pass. | Passive (physio) | |
| pat. | Patella (physio) | |
| PAT | Paroxysmal atrial tachycardia | |
| PBC | Primary biliary cirrhosis | |
| pc | Presenting complaint (physio) | |
| PC | Packed cells | |
| PCA | Patient controlled analgesia | |
| PCB | Postcoital bleeding | |
| PCK | Polycystic kidney | |
| PCL | Posterior cruciate ligament (physio) | |
| pCO ₂ | Partial pressure of Carbon Dioxide | |
| PCOD | Polycystic ovary disease | |
| PCP | Phencyclidine (use/intoxication) | |
| PCT | Porphyria cutanea tarda | |
| PCTA | Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty | |
| PCV | Packed cell volume | |
| PD | Peritoneal dialysis | |
| PDA | Patent ductus arteriosus | |
| PDMS | Peabody Developmental Motor Scale (physio) | |
| PDx | Provisional diagnosis | |
| PE | Physical examination | |
| PEARL | Pupils equal and reacting to light | |
| PECCRLA | Pupils equal, concentric, circular, reacting to light and accommodation | |
| PEDI | Paediatric Evaluation of Disability Inventory (physio) | |
| PEEP | Positive end expiratory pressure (physio) | |
| PEFR | Peak expiratory flow rate (physio) | |
| PEG | Percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy | |
| PEJ | Percutaneous endoscopic jejunostomy | |
| PENS | Percutaneous electrical nerve stimulator | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

| | | |
|-----------------|---|--|
| PEO | Protective Estates Order (mental health) | |
| perc | Percussion (physio) | |
| pess | Pessary | |
| PET | Pre-eclamptic toxemia | |
| PF | Patellofemoral (physio) | |
| PFCKR | Patellofemoral compartment knee replacement | |
| PFR | Peak flow rate | |
| PFT | Pulmonary function test | |
| PFx | Pelvic floor exercises (physio) | |
| PGH | Pituitary growth hormone | |
| PH | Past history | |
| PHT | Pulmonary hypertension | |
| PI | Prothrombin index | |
| PICA | Posterior inferior cerebral artery | |
| PICC | Peripherally inserted central catheter | |
| PiCCO | Pulse contour cardiac output | |
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| PMP | Plantar metatarsal pad (podiatry) | |
| PMR | Polymyalgia rheumatica | |
| PMS | Premenstrual syndrome | |
| PMT | Premenstrual tension | |
| PN | Percussion note | |
| PNB | Prostate needle biopsy | |
| PNC | Post natal clinic | |
| PND | Paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnoea | |
| PNET | Primitive neuroectodermal tumour | |
| PNF | Passive neck flexion (physio) | |
| PNH | Paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria | |
| PNLA | Percutaneous needle lung aspiration | |
| PNS | Peripheral nervous system | |
| PNX | Pneumonia | |
| pO ₂ | Concentration of oxygen in solution | |
| p/o | Productive of (physio) | |
| PO | By mouth, orally | |
| POA | Power of attorney | |
| PO ₄ | Phosphate | |
| POC | Products of conception | |
| POD | Pouch of Douglas | |
| POH | Poor Obstetric History | |
| POP | Persistent occipito-posterior | |
| POW | Prisoner of War | |

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| | | |
|-----------|---|--|
| Post. | Posterior | |
| Post op | Post operatively | |
| PP | Pin prick | |
| P&P | Pin and plate | |
| PPE | Personal protective equipment | |
| PPH | Post partum haemorrhage | |
| PPHN | Persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn | |
| 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 | |
| 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 (pro re nata) | |
| prod. | Productive | |
| prog. | Prognosis (mental health) | |
| PROM | Premature rupture of membranes | |
| pron. | Pronation | |
| prot. | Protraction | |
| pro tem | for now/in the short term | |
| prox. | Proximal | |
| PRVC | Pressure regulated volume control | |
| PS | Presenting symptoms | |
| P/S | Plantar surface (podiatry) | |
| PSA | Prostate-specific antigen | |
| PSC | Polar senile cataract | |
| PSH; PSHx | Past surgical history | |
| PSP | Progressive supranuclear palsy | |
| PSV | Pressure support ventilation | |
| Pt | Patient | |
| P/T | Physiotherapy | |
| PTA | Percutaneous transluminal angioplasty | |
| PTB | Pulmonary tuberculosis | |
| PTC | Percutaneous transhepatic cholangiography | |
| PTCA | Percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty | |
| PTE | Pulmonary thromboemboli | |
| PTFL | Posterior tibiofibular ligament (physio) | |
| PTH | Parathyroid hormone | |
| PTK | Phototherapeutic keratectomy | |
| PTS | Pulled to sitting/pulled to standing (physio) | |
| PTSD | Post traumatic stress disorder | |
| pu | Passed urine | |
| PU | Peptic ulcer | |
| PUD | Peptic ulcer disease | |
| PUF | Pick-up frame (physio) | |
| PUIT | Passed urine in toilet | |
| PUJ | Pelvi-ureteric junction | |

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|----------|---|--|
| 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) | |
| Q | | |
| | | |
| qid | Four times a day | |
| quad. | Quadraplegia | |
| quads. | Quadriceps | |
| QS | Quad stick (physio) | |
| R | | |
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| RA | Rheumatoid arthritis | |
| 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) | |
| REIL | Repeated extension in lying (physio) | |
| REIS | Repeated extension in sitting (physio) | |
| REM | Rapid eye movement | |
| rep. | Repeated (physio) | |
| Resp. | Respiratory | |
| ret. | Retraction (physio) | |
| RF | Renal failure | |
| RFA | Right femoral artery | |
| RFH | Right femoral hernia | |
| RFIL | Repeated flexion in lying (physio) | |

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| | | |
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| RFIS | Repeated flexion in standing (physio) | |
| RFP | Right frontoposterior (obstetrics) | |
| 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 | |
| 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) | |
| RK | Radial keratotomy | |
| RLF | Retrolental fibroplasia | |
| RLIQ | Right lower inner quadrant (breast) | |
| RLL | Right lower lid | |
| RLN | Recurrent laryngeal nerve | |
| RLOQ | Right lower outer quadrant (breast) | |
| RLQ | Right lower quadrant (abdomen) | |
| RM | Registered midwife | |
| RML | Right middle lobe (lung) | |
| RMO | Resident Medical Officer | |
| RN | Registered Nurse | |
| R/O | Removal of | |
| ROA | Right occipito anterior (obstetrics) | |
| ROL | Right occipitolateral (obstetrics) | |
| ROM | Range of motion (physio) | |
| ROP | Right occipitoposterior (obstetrics) | |
| ROS | Removal of sutures | |
| rot. | Rotation (physio) | |
| ROT | Right occipitotransverse (obstetrics) | |
| RPC | Retained products of conception | |
| RPF | Retroperitoneal fibrosis | |
| Rpt | Repeat | |
| RR | Respiratory rate | |
| 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 | |

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| | | |
|------------|---|--|
| 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 | |
| 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 | |
| RXT | Right exotropia | |
| S | | |
| s | serum (as in s bilirubin) | |
| /s | without | |
| S1-5 | Sacral vertebrae (1-5) | |
| S. aureus | Staphylococcus aureus | |
| 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 | |
| | 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 | |
| SCH | Subconjunctival haemorrhage | |
| SCI | Subcutaneous injection | |
| SCID | Severe combined immunodeficiency disease | |
| SCI MH-OAT | Service Contact Info. Mental Health Outcome & Assessment Tools (MH) | |
| SCLC | Small cell lung cancer | |
| SCN | Special Care Nursery | |
| SCTx | Static cervical traction | |
| SDAT | Senile dementia Alzheimer's type (mental health) | |
| SDH | Subdural haemorrhage/haematoma | |

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| | | |
|---------|---|--|
| 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 | |
| SGIS | Side glide in standing (physio) | |
| Sh. | Shoulder (physio) | |
| SH; SHx | Social history | |
| SHL | Sudden hearing loss | |
| SI | Stress incontinence | |
| SIADH | Syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone (secretion) | |
| 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 hormone | |
| SIW | Self inflicted wound | |
| SL | Side lying (physio) | |
| 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 | |
| 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 health) | |
| SNS | Sympathetic nervous system | |
| s/o | Suction out (physio) | |
| 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 | |

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| | | |
|----------|---|-----------------------|
| 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 | |
| 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) | |
| SSG | Split skin graft | |
| SSNHL | Sudden sensorineural hearing loss | |
| SSP/SSPE | Subacute sclerosing panencephalitis | |
| SSRI | Selective Serotonin Re-uptake Inhibitor (mental health) | |
| SSS | Sick sinus syndrome | |
| SST | Supraspinatus tendon (physio) | |
| SSV | Short saphenous vein | |
| ST | Sinus tachycardia | |
| Staph. | Staphylococcus | |
| stat | immediately and once only (statim) | |
| STD | Sexually transmitted disease | |
| STEMI | ST elevation myocardial infarction | |
| STI | Soft tissue injury | |
| STM | Short term memory | |
| STML | Short term memory loss | |
| STR | Soft tissue release (physio) | |
| STS | Serology tests for syphilis | |
| 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 | Added - 05/04/2013 |
| 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 | |
| Sx | Surgery (physio) | |
| SXR | Skull x-ray | |

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| | | |
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| SZ/SCZ | Schizophrenia (mental health) | |
| T | | |
| T1-12 | Thoracic vertebrae (1-12) | |
| Tab. | Tablet | |
| TA | Tendoachilles / technical assistant (physio) | |
| TAH | Total abdominal hysterectomy | |
| TAHBSO | Total abdominal hysterectomy and bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy | |
| TAPVC | Total anomalous pulmonary venous connection | |
| 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 | |
| TEV | Talipes equinovarus (physio) | |
| TFA | Transfemoral amputation (physio) | |
| 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) | |

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|-----------------|---|---------------|
| TM | Tympanic membrane | |
| TMC | Threatened miscarriage | |
| TMJ | Temporomandibular joint | |
| TML | Trachea midline | |
| TMR | Transmyocardial revascularisation | |
| TMT | Tarsometatarsal (physio) | |
| TNF | Tumour necrosis factor | |
| TNP | Transitional Nurse Practitioner | Added 19.4.13 |
| TOE | Transoesophageal echocardiogram | |
| TOF | Tracheo-oesophageal fistula | |
| TOL | Trial of labour | |
| TOP | Termination of pregnancy | |
| TORCH (complex) | Toxoplasmosis, rubella, cytomegalovirus and herpes simplex | |
| TOS | Trial of scar | |
| TOV | Trial of void | |
| 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 | |
| TrA | Transversus abdominis (physio) | |
| tract. | Traction (physio) | |
| TRAM | Transverse rectus abdominis myocutaneous (flap) | |
| traps. | Trapezius (physio) | |
| TRH | Thyrotropin-releasing hormone | |
| Ts and As | Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy | |
| T/S | Thoracic spine (physio) | |
| TSH | Thyroid stimulating hormone | |
| TSI | Thyroid stimulating immunoglobulin | |
| TSS | Toxic shock syndrome | |
| TTA | Transtibial amputation (physio) | |
| TTE | Transthoracic echocardiogram | |
| TTN | Transient tachypnoea of the newborn | |
| TTP | Traumatic tension pneumothorax | |
| TTVPM | Temporary transvenous pacemaker | |
| TUD | Transurethral diathermy | |
| TULIP | Transurethral ultrasound-guided laser induced prostatectomy | |
| TUNA | Transurethral needle ablation (of prostate) | |
| TUR | Transurethral resection | |
| TURP | Transurethral resection of prostate | |
| TV | Tidal volume (physio) | |
| TVH | Total vaginal hysterectomy | |
| TVR | Tricuspid valve replacement | |
| TVT | Transvaginal tension (tape) | |
| TWB | Touch weight bearing (physio) | |
| TWOC | Trial without catheter | |
| Tx | Traction (physio) | |
| TZ | Transformation zone | |

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| U | |
|---------|---|
| | |
| 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 | Upper limb tension test 1-3 (physio) |
| UMN | Upper motor neuron |
| 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) |
| V | |
| | |
| 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) |
| VD | Venereal disease |
| V & D | Vomiting and diarrhoea |
| VDRL | Venereal disease research laboratory |
| VE | Vacuum extraction |
| VE, V/E | Vaginal examination |
| VEB | Ventricular ectopic beats |
| VEP | Visual evoked potential |
| VF | Ventricular fibrillation |
| VFT | Ventilatory function test (physio) |
| VH | Vaginal hysterectomy |
| VHD | Valvular heart disease |

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| | | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| vibs/vibes. | Vibrations (physio) | |
| VIB | Voided in bed | |
| VIN (I, II, III) | Vulval intraepithelial neoplasia (grades I, II, III) | |
| VIPoma | Vasoactive intestinal peptide tumour | |
| VIQ | Verbal intelligence quotient | |
| Vit. | Vitamin | |
| Viz | namely | |
| VLAP | Visual laser assisted prostatectomy | |
| VLBW | Very low birth weight | |
| VLDL | Very low density lipoproteins | |
| VMO | Visiting Medical Officer | |
| VP | Ventriculoperitoneal | |
| VPB | Ventricular premature beats | |
| VPC | Ventricular premature contractions | |
| VPS | Ventriculo-peritoneal shunt | |
| VQ;V/Q;V-Q | calculate airflow and bloodflow | |
| VR | Ventricular rate | |
| VRE | Vancomycin-resistant enterococci | |
| VS | Vital signs | |
| VSC | Vertebral subluxation complex | |
| VSD | Ventricular septal defect | |
| VT | Ventricular tachycardia | |
| VTE | Venous thrombo-embolism | |
| VUJ | Vesico-ureteric junction | |
| VV | Varicose vein | |
| vWD | von Willebrand's disease | |
| Vx | Vertex | |
| W | | |
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| WAGR | Wilms tumour, aniridia, G-U malformations, mental retardation | |
| WAIS-III | Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale - Version 3 (mental health) | |
| WB | Weight bearing (physio) | |
| | Whole blood | |
| WBAT | Weight bearing as tolerated (physio) | |
| wbc | White blood cell | |
| WBC | White blood count | |
| WBR | Whole body radiation | |
| WC | Workers' compensation | |
| W/C | Wheelchair | |
| WCC | White cell count | |
| W/cm ² | Watts per centimetre squared (physio) | |
| Wee-FIM | Paediatric functional independence measure (physio) | |
| WNL | Within normal limits | |
| w/o | Without | |
| W/O | Washout | |
| WO | Welfare officer (mental health) | |
| WPW | Wolff-Parkinson-White (Syndrome) | |
| WR | Wasserman reaction | |
| Wt | Weight | |
| WTM | Will take message | |
| 4WF | Four-wheeled frame (physio) | |
| 2WF | Two-wheeled frame (physio) | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

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| | | |
| X | | |
| | | |
| X-match | Cross match | |
| XR | X-ray | |
| XRT | X-ray therapy | |
| Y | | |
| | | |
| y/o | Years old | |
| yr/s | Year/Years | |
| Z | | |
| | | |
| Z-N | Ziehl Neelsen (stain) | |
| SYMBOLS | | |
| | | |
| @ | At | |
| & | And | |
| ↓ | Decreased | |
| ↑ | Increased | |
| Δ | Disease | |
| ♂ | Male | |
| ♀ | Female | |
| # | Fracture | |
| /60 | Minutes | |
| /7 | Days | |
| /12 | Months | |
| /52 | Weeks | |
| /24 | Hours | |
| /40 | Weeks of pregnancy | |
| 1° | Primary, first degree | |
| 2° | Secondary, second degree | |
| 3° | Third degree | |
| + | Slight trace | |
| ++ | Trace | |
| +++ | Moderate trace | |
| ++++ | Large trace | |
| - | Absent | |
| (R) | Right | |
| (L) | Left | |
| < | Less than | |
| > | Greater than | |
| /C | With | |
| /S | Without | |
| ∴ | Therefore | |
| = | Equal to | |
| ° | No; no history of | |
| % | Percent | |
| ? | Doubtful; questionable; query | |
| ° F | Degrees Fahrenheit | |
| ° C | Degrees Celsius | |
| ← | Transverse left (physio) | |

CLINICAL ABBREVIATIONS LIST

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| → | Transverse right (physio) | |
| ↔ | Longitudinal movement (physio) | |
| →← | Transverse mobs | |
| / | per | |