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# Medical Documentation

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## Pediatric History

**Identifying Data:** Patient's name, age, sex; significant medical conditions, informant(parent).

**Chief Complaint (CC):** Reason that the child is seeking medical care and duration of symptoms.

**History of Present Illness (HPI):** Describes the course of the patient's illness, including when and how it began, character of symptoms; aggravating or alleviating factors; pertinent positives and negatives, past diagnostic testing.

**Past Medical History (PMH):** Medical problems, hospitalizations, operations; asthma, diabetes.

**Perinatal History:** Gestational age at birth, obstetric complications, type of delivery, birth weight, Apgar scores, complications (e.g., infection, jaundice), length of hospital stay.

**Medications:** Names and dosages.

**Nutrition:** Type of diet, amount taken each feed, changes in feeding habits.

**Developmental History:** Age at attainment of important milestones (walking, talking, self-care). Relationships with siblings, peers, adults. School grade and performance, behavioral problems.

**Immunizations:** Up-to-date?

**Allergies:** Penicillin, codeine?

**Family History:** Medical problems in family, including the patient's disorders; diabetes, seizures, asthma, allergies, cancer, cardiac, renal or GI disease, tuberculosis, smoking.

**Social History:** Family situation, alcohol, smoking, drugs, sexual activity. Parental education. Safety: Child car seats, smoke detectors, bicycle helmets.

### Review of Systems (ROS)

**General:** Overall health, weight loss, behavioral changes, fever, fatigue.

**Skin:** Rash, moles, bruising, lumps/bumps, nail/hair changes.

**Eyes:** Vision problems, eye pain.

**Ear, nose, throat:** Frequency of colds, pharyngitis, otitis media.

**Lungs:** Cough, shortness of breath, wheezing.

**Cardiovascular:** Chest pain, murmurs, syncope.

**Gastrointestinal:** Nausea/vomiting, spitting up, diarrhea, recurrent abdominal pain, constipation, bowel movements.

**Genitourinary:** Dysuria, hematuria, polyuria, vaginal discharge, STDs.

**Musculoskeletal:** Weakness, joint pain, gait abnormalities, scoliosis.

**Neurological:** Headache, seizures.

**Endocrine:** Growth delay, polyphagia, excessive thirst/fluid intake, menses duration, amenorrhea.

## Pediatric Physical Examination

**Observation:** Child's facial expression (pain), response to social overtures.

Interaction with caretakers and examiner. Body position (sitting position; epiglottitis, pericarditis). Weak cry (serious illness), high-pitched cry (increased intracranial pressure, metabolic disorder); moaning (serious illness, meningitis), grunting (respiratory distress).

Does the child appear to be:

- (1) Well, acutely ill/toxic, chronically ill, wasted, or malnourished?
- (2) Alert and active or lethargic/fatigued?
- (3) Well hydrated or dehydrated?
- (4) Unusual body odors?

**Vital Signs:** Respiratory rate, blood pressure, pulse, temperature.

**Measurements:** Height, weight; head circumference inches; length ≤ 2 years; plotted on growth charts and determined in percentiles.

**Skin:** Cyanosis, jaundice, pallor, rashes, skin turgor, edema, hemangiomas, café au lait spots, nevi, Mongolian spots, hair distribution, capillary refill (in seconds).

**Lymph Nodes:** Location, size, tenderness, mobility and consistency of cervical, axillary, supraclavicular, and inguinal nodes.

**Head:** Size, shape, asymmetry, cephalohematoma, bossing, molding, bruises, fontanelles (size, tension), dilated veins, facial asymmetry.

**Eyes:** Pupil size equal, round and reactive to light and accommodation (PERRLA); extraocular movements intact (EOMI); Brudzinski's signs; epicanthic folds, discharge, conjunctiva; red reflex, corneal opacities, cataracts, fundi; strabismus (eye deviation), visual acuity.

**Ears:** Pinnae (position, size), tympanic membranes (landmarks, mobility, erythema, dull, shiny, bulging), hearing.

**Nose:** Shape, discharge, bleeding, mucous, patency.

**Mouth:** Lips (thirstiness, dryness, turning, fissures, cold sores), teeth, mucous membranes (color and moisture), enanthem (Eppstein's pearls), tongue, cold, pale, mate.

**Throat:** Tonsils (erythema, exudate), postnasal drip, hoarseness, stridor.

**Neck:** Torticollis, lymphadenopathy, thyroid nodules, position of trachea.

**Thorax:** Shape, symmetry, intercostal or substernal retractions.

**Breasts:** Turner stage, size, shape, symmetry, masses, nipple discharge, gynecomastia.

**Lungs:** Breathing rate, depth, expansion, prolonged expiration, rales, dullness to percussion, breath sounds, crackles, wheezing, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Location of apical impulse. Regular rate and rhythm (RRR), first and second heart sounds (S1, S2); gallops (S3, S4), murmurs (location, position, intensity, grade 1-6, pitch, effect of change of position, transmission). Comparison of brachial and femoral pulses.

**Abdomen:** Contour, visible peristalsis, respiratory movements, dilated veins, umbilicus, bowel sounds, bruits, hernia. Rebound tenderness, tympany; hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, masses.

**Genitalia:**

**Male Genitalia:** Circumcision, hypospadias, phimosis, size of testes, cryptorchidism, hydrocele, hernia, inguinal masses.

**Female Genitalia:** Imperforate hymen, discharge, labial adhesions, clitoral hypertrophy, pubertal changes.

**Rectum and Anus:** Erythema, excoriation, fissures, prolapse, imperforate anus. Anal tone, masses, tenderness, anal reflex.

**Extremities:** Bow legs (infancy), knock knees (age 2 to 3 years). Eczema (grade 1-4+), cyanosis, clubbing. Joint range of motion, swelling, redness, tenderness. A "click" felt on rotation of hips indicates developmental hip dyslocation (Barlow maneuver). Extradiastasis, splaying of toes, peroneal nerve palsies.

**Spine and Back:** Scoliosis, rigidity, painless, palpable tenderness over spine and sacrum. Tenderness over costovertebral area.

### Neurological Examination:

**Behavior:** Level of consciousness, intelligence, emotional status.

**Motor System:** Gait, muscle tone, strength (graded 0 to 5).

#### Reflexes

**Deep Tendon Reflexes:** Biceps, brachioradialis, triceps, patellar, and Achilles reflexes (graded 1-4).

**Superficial Reflexes:** Abdominal, cremasteric, plantar reflexes.

**Neonatal Reflexes:** Babinski, Landau, Moro, rooting, sucking, grasping, tonic neck reflexes.

**Developmental Assessment:** Delayed abilities for age on developmental screening test.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes (sodium, potassium, bicarbonate, chloride, BUN, creatinine), CBC (hemoglobin, hematocrit, white blood cell count, platelets, differential); X-rays, urinalysis (UA).

**Assessment:** Assign a differential diagnosis, and give reasons that support the working diagnosis. Give reasons for excluding other diagnoses.

**Plan:** Describe therapeutic plan for each problem, including testing, laboratory studies, medications, antibiotics, and consultations.

## Physical Examination of the Newborn

**General Appearance:** Overall visual and auditory appraisal of the completely undressed infant. Weak cry (serious illness), high-pitched cry (increased intracranial pressure, metabolic disorders), grunting (respiratory distress). Unusual body odors.

**Vital Signs:** Respiratory rate (normal 40-60 breaths/min), heart rate (120-160 beats/minute), temperature.

**Head:** Lacerations, caput, cephalohematoma, skull swelling. Fontanelles (size, tension), head circumference.

**Neck:** Flexibility and asymmetry.

**Eyes:** Scleral hemorrhages, cataracts, red reflex, pupillary size.

**Mouth:** Palate, oral cavity, teeth.

**Respiratory:** Cyanosis, retractions, nasal flaring, grunting. Palpation of clavicles for fractures.

**Heart:** Position of point of maximal impulse, rhythm, murmurs. Diastolic heart sounds (pneumothorax). Comparison of brachial and femoral pulses.

**Abdomen:** Asymmetry, masses, fullness, umbilicus, hernias. Liver span (may extend 2.5 cm below the right costal margin), spleen span, nephromegaly.

**Male Genitalia:** Hypospadias, phimosis, hernia, presence of both testes. Anal patency.

**Female Genitalia:** Interlabial masses, mucoid vaginal discharge or blood streaked discharge (normal). Anal patency.

**Skin:** Pink, cyanotic, pale. Jaundice (abnormal in the first day of life), miliaria (yellow papules), Mongolian spots (bluish patches).

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**Extremities:** Extra digits, si mianl ines, pi lonidaldi mpleorcy st, sacral hai rtuft, hipdi slocation; a" click "fel tonrotati onofhi ps (Barlowm aneuver, devel opmentalhi pdi slocation).

**Neurologic E xamination:** Tone, acti vity, sy mmetry of ex tremity m ovement, symmetry o ffa cial m ovements, a lertness, co nsolability, M oror reflex, su ck reflex, rootrefl ex, grasprefl ex, pl antarrefl ex.

## ProgressN otes

Daily progress notes should summarize developments in the patient's hospital course, problems that remain active, plans to treat those problems, and arrangements for discharge. Progress notes should address every problem on the problem list.

### Example Progress Note

#### Date/time:

**Subjective:** A new problem has developed since the last chart. Appetite, pain or fussiness are included.

#### Objective:

General appearance.

Vitals, temperature, maximum temperature over past 24 hours, pulse, respiratory rate, blood pressure. Feedings, fluid/O2 (inputs and outputs), daily weights.

Physical examination, including chest and abdomen, with particular attention to active problems. Emphasizes changes from previous physical exams.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** New test results. Complete blood count, urinalysis.

**Current medications:** List of medications and dosages.

**Assessment and Plan:** This section should describe the problem. A separate assessment and plan should be written for each problem.

## Discharge Note

The discharge notes should be written privately or dictated.

#### Date/time:

#### Diagnoses:

**Treatment:** Briefly describe therapy provided during hospitalization, including antibiotics, surgery, and cardiovascular drugs.

**Studies Performed:** Electrocardiograms, CT scan.

#### Discharge medications:

#### Follow-up Arrangements:

## DischargeSummary

Patient's Name and Medical Record Number:

Date of Admission:

Date of Discharge:

Admitting Diagnosis:

Discharge Diagnosis:

Attending or Ward Team Responsible for Patient:

Surgical Procedures, Diagnostic Tests, Invasional Procedures:

**History, Physical Examination and Laboratory Data:** Describe the course of the patient's disease, including symptoms, laboratory findings, and imaging studies.

**Hospital Course:** Describe the course of the patient's illness while in the hospital, including evaluation, treatment, medications, and outcome of treatment.

**Discharged Condition:** Describe improvement or deterioration of the patient's condition, and describe the present status of the patient.

**Disposition:** Note the situation to which the patient will be discharged (home, etc.), and indicate how to care for the patient.

**Discharge Medications:** List medications and instructions for patient taking them.

**Discharge Instructions and Follow-up Care:** Date of return for follow-up care at clinic; diet.

**Problem List:** List of past problems.

**Copies:** Send copies to attending physician, consultants.

## Prescription Writing

- Patient's name:
- Date:
- Drug name and preparation (e.g., tablet strength): Lasi x40mg
- Quantity to dispense: #40
- Frequency of administration: Sig: 1 po qAM
- Refills: None
- Signature

## ProcedureNote

A procedure notes should be written in the chart after the procedure is performed. Procedure notes are brief operational notes.

### ProcedureNote

**Date and time:**
**Procedure:**
**Indications:**

**Patient Consent:** Document that the indications, risks and alternatives to the procedure were explained to the parents and patient. Note that the parents and patient were given the opportunity to ask questions and that the parents consented to the procedure in writing.

**Lab tests:** Relevant labs, such as the CBC and electrolytes.

**Anesthesia:** Local with 2% lidocaine.

**Description of Procedure:** Briefly describe the procedure, including sterile prep, anesthesia, method, patient position, devices used, anatomical location of procedure, and outcome.

**Complications and Estimated Blood Loss (EBL):**

**Disposition:** Describe how the patient tolerated the procedure.

**Specimens:** Describe any specimens obtained and laboratory tests that were ordered.

## Developmental Milestones

Age	Milestones
1 month	Raises head slightly when prone; able to sit soundly; regards face, male or female sex similarly.
2-3 months	Smiles, holds head up, coos, reaches for familiar objects, recognizes parent.
4-5 months	Rolls front to back and back to front; sits well when propped; laughs, begins to crawl; enjoys looking around; grasps rattle, bears some weight on eight-month legs.
6 months	Sits unsupported; passes cube from hand to hand; babbles; uses raking grasp; feeds self crackers.
8-9 months	Crawls, cruises; pulls to stand; picks up and grasps; plays pat-a-cake; feeds self with bottle; sits without support; explores environment.
12 months	Walking, takes a few words; understands no; says "mama/dada"; discriminantly; throws objects; imitates actions, marks with crayon, draws lines from acup.

<b>Age</b>	<b>Milestones</b>
<b>15-18 months</b>	Comes when called; scribbles; walks backward; uses 4-20 words; builds towers of 2 blocks.
<b>24-30 months</b>	Removes shoes; follows 2-step commands; jumps with both feet; holds spoon in both hands; knows first name; uses pronouns. Parallel play; pretends to be body parts, runs, spoon feeds self, copies parents.
<b>3 years</b>	Dresses and undresses; walks up and down stairs; draws circles; knows some more than 250 words; takes turns; shares. Group play.
<b>4 years</b>	Hops, skips, catches ball; memorizes songs; plays cooperatively; knows colors; uses plurals.
<b>5 years</b>	Jumps over objects; pretends to be mother's name; follows game rules; draws simple pictures; hops on one foot.

## **12D evelopmentalM ilestones**

# Cardiovascular Disorders

## Chest Pain

**Chief Complaint:** Chest pain.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of chest pain, location, character (squeezing, sharp, dull). Progression of pain, frequency, aggravating and relieving factors (on inspiration, exertion, eating). Weight loss, fever, cough, dyspnea, vomiting, heartburn, abdominal pain. School function and attendance. Relationship of pain to activity (at rest, during sleep, during exercise). Does the pain interfere with hepatic activities? Have favorite sports or other activities continued?

**Cardiac Testing:** Results of prior evaluations, ECGs, echocardiograms.

**Past Medical History:** Exercise tolerance, diabetes, asthma, trauma.

**Medications:** Aspirin.

**Family History:** Heart disease, myocardial infarction, angina.

**Social History:** Significant life events, stresses, recent losses or separations. Elicit drugs, smoking.

### Historical Findings for Chest Pain

Acute pain?  
First time?  
Systemic symptoms?  
Duration of complaints?  
Exertional?  
Syncope? Palpitations?  
Cough?  
Localized?  
Reproducible? How?  
Associated symptoms?

Abdominal pain, limb pain, headache?  
Light-headedness, tetany, cramps, dizziness?  
Dermatomal distribution?  
Aggravated by rising from supine position?  
Poor school attendance?  
Stressful life events?

### Physical Examination

**General:** Visible pallor, apprehension, diaphoresis. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well. Positional changes accentuate or relieve the pain.

**Vital Signs:** Pulse (tachycardia), BP, respirations (tachypnea), temperature. Growth chart and percentiles.

**Skin:** Cool extremities, pallor.

**Chest:** Chest wall tenderness. Swelling, trauma, dermatomal lesions, breast development, gynecomastia, xiphoid process tenderness. Crackles, rhonchi, wheeze.

**Heart:** First and second heart sounds; third heart sound (S3), S4 gallop (more audible in the left lateral position), murmur.

**Abdomen:** Bowel sounds, tenderness, masses, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Back:** Vertebral column deformities, tenderness.

**Extremities:** Unequal limb circumference (aortic coarctation).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes, CBC, chest X-ray.

## 14D dyspnea and congestive heart failure

### Differential diagnosis of chest pain

#### Musculoskeletal disorders

Costochondritis  
Chest wall syndrome  
Tietze syndrome  
Xiphoid cartilage syndrome  
Stitch  
Precordial catch syndrome  
Slipping rib syndrome

**Idiopathic Disorders:** Psychogenic, hyperventilation

**Breast Disorders:** Gynaecomastia, fibrocystic changes

#### Cardiovascular disease

Pericarditis  
Left ventricular outflow obstruction, aortic murmur  
Dysrhythmias

**Pulmonary Disorders:** Pneumonia, pneumothorax, asthma

#### Gastrointestinal disorders:

Esophagitis, gastroesophageal reflux, peptic ulcer disease

#### Vertebral/Radiculardisorders

Spinal stenosis  
Herniated disk  
Vertebral fracture

## Dyspnea and congestive heart failure

**Chief Complaint:** Shortness of breath.

**History of Present Illness:** Rate of onset of dyspnea (gradual, sudden), dyspnea on exertion, chest pain. Past episodes, aggravating or relieving factors, cough, fever, drugs, allergies. Difficulty keeping up with peers during play. Feeding difficulties, tachypnea, aphoresis with feeding, diminished volume of feeding, prolonged feeding time. Poor weight gain.

**Past Medical History:** Hypertension, asthma, diabetes.

**Medications:** Bronchodilators, diuretics, furosemide.

**Past Treatment or Testing:** Cardiac testing, x-rays, ECGs.

### Physical examination

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress, dyspnea, pallor. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (supine and upright), pulse (tachycardia), temperature, respiratory rate (tachypnea), growth percentiles, growth deficiency.

**HEENT:** Jugular venous distention.

**Chest:** Intercostal retractions, dullness to percussion, stridor, wheezing, crackles, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Lateral displacement of point of maximal impulse, hyperdynamic precordium; irregular rhythm; S3 gallop, S4 murmur.

**Abdomen:** Hepatomegaly, liver tenderness, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Cool extremities, edema, pulses, cyanosis, clubbing.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Oxygen saturation, chest X-ray (cardiomegaly, effusions, pulmonary edema).

**Differential Diagnosis:** Heart failure, foreign body aspiration, pneumonia, asthma, pneumothorax, hyperventilation.

# Hypertension

**Chief Complaint:** High blood pressure.

**History of Present Illness:** Current blood pressure, age of onset of hypertension. Headaches, vomiting (increased intracranial pressure), dysuria, nocturia, enuresis, abdominal pain (renal disease). Growth delay, weight loss, fevers, diaphoresis, flushing, palpitations (pheochromocytoma).

**Perinatal History:** Neonatal course, umbilical artery/vein catheterization (renal artery stenosis).

**Past Medical History:** Lead exposure; increased appetite, hyperactivity, tremors, heat intolerance (hyperthyroidism).

**Medications Associated with Hypertension:** Oral contraceptives, corticosteroids, cocaine, amphetamines, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs.

**Family History:** Hypertension, preeclampsia, renal disease, pheochromocytoma.

**Social History:** Tobacco, alcohol.

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Confusion, agitation (hypertensive encephalopathy).

**Vital Signs:** Tachycardia (hyperthyroidism), fever (connective tissue disorder). BP: normal blood pressure, pulse, asymmetrical, respiratory rate.

**Skin:** Pallor (renal disease), café au lait spots, hypopigmented lesions (von Recklinghausen's disease, tuberous sclerosis), lymphedema (Turner's syndrome), rashes (connective tissue disease), skin rash (Cushing's syndrome), plethora (pheochromocytoma).

**HEENT:** Papilledema, thyromegaly (hyperthyroidism), moon faces (Cushing's syndrome); waddling of the neck (Turner's syndrome, aortic coarctation).

**Chest:** Crackles (pulmonary edema), wheeze, intercostal rubs (aortic coarctation); buffalo hump (Cushing's syndrome).

**Heart:** Delayed radial pulse (aortic coarctation). Lateral lymph nodes displaced apically (ventricular hypertrophy), murmur.

**Abdomen:** Bruit below costal margin (renal artery stenosis); masses (pheochromocytoma, neuroblastoma, Wilms' tumor), pulsating aorta (aortic aneurysm), enlarged kidney (polycystic kidney disease, hydronephrosis); costovertebral angle tenderness; truncal obesity (Cushing's syndrome).

**Extremities:** Edema (renal disease), joints swelling, joint tenderness (connective tissue disease). Tremor (hyperthyroidism, pheochromocytoma), femoral bruits.

**Neurologic:** Rapid return phase of deep tendon reflexes (hyperthyroidism).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Potassium, BUN, creatinine, glucose, uric acid, CBC. UA with microscopic analysis (RBC casts, hematuria, proteinuria). 24-hour urine for metanephrine; plasma catecholamines (pheochromocytoma), lipid profile, ECG, renal ultrasound.

**Chest X-ray:** Cardiomegaly, indentation of aorta (coarctation), rib notching.

## 16H Hypertension

Differential Diagnosis of Hypertension	
<b>Renal</b>	
Chronic pyelonephritis	Segmental hydronephrosis
Chronic glomerulonephritis	Ureteral obstruction
Hydronephrosis	Renal tumors
Congenital dysplastic kidney	Renal trauma
Multicystic kidney	Systemic lupus erythematosus
Solitary renal cyst	(other connective tissue diseases)
Vesicoureteral reflux nephropathy	
<b>Vascular</b>	
Coarctation of the aorta	Neurofibromatosis
Renal artery lesions	Renal vein thrombosis
Umbilical artery catheterization with thrombus formation	Vasculitis
<b>Endocrine</b>	
Hyperthyroidism	Pheochromocytoma
Hyperparathyroidism	Neuroblastoma, ganglioneuroblastoma, ganglioneuroma
Congenital adrenal hyperplasia	Diabetic nephropathy
Cushing's syndrome	Liddle's syndrome
Hyperaldosteronism	
<b>Central Nervous System</b>	
Intracranial mass	Brain injury
Hemorrhage	Quadriplegia
<b>Essential Hypertension</b>	
Lowrenin	Highrenin
Normalrenin	

# Pulmonary Disorders

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## Wheezing and Asthma

**Chief Complaint:** Wheezing.

**History of Present Illness:** Onset, duration and progression of wheezing; current and baseline peak flow rate; severity of attack compared to previous episodes; fever, frequency of hospitalizations; home nebulizer use; cough.

**Aggravating factors:** Exercise, cold air, viral respiratory infections, exposure to dust mites, animal dander. Seasons that provoke symptoms; foreign body aspiration.

**Past Medical History:** Previous episodes, pneumonia, recurrent croup, allergic rhinitis, food allergies. Baseline arterial blood gas results; pulmonary function testing.

**Perinatal History:** Prematurity (bronchopulmonary dysplasia).

**Family History:** Asthma, allergies, hay fever, atopic dermatitis.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress, anxiety, pallor. Note whether the patient looks well, ill, or somnolent.

**Vital Signs:** Peak expiratory flow rate (PEFR). Temperature, respiratory rate (tachypnea), depth of respirations, pulse (tachycardia), Blood Pressure (widened pulse pressure), pulse paradoxus (> 15 mmHg) is significant pulmonary compression.

**Skin:** Flushed, erythema, urticaria.

**Nose:** Nasal flaring, chronic rhinitis, nasal polyps.

**Mouth:** Pharyngeal erythema, perioral cyanosis, grunting.

**Chest:** Sternocleidomastoid muscle contractions, intracostal retractions, supraclavicular retractions, barrel chest. Expiratory wheeze, rhonchi, decreased breath sounds, prolonged expiratory phase.

**Heart:** Diminished heart sounds, third heart sound (S3); increased intensity of pulmonic component of second heart sound (pulmonary hypertension).

**Abdomen:** Retractions, paradoxical abdominal motion (abdominal resistances on inspiration), tenderness.

**Extremities:** Cyanosis, clubbing, edema.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, electrolytes. Pulmonary function tests, urinalysis.

**ABG:** Respiratory alkalosis, hypoxia.

**Chest X-ray:** Hyperinflation, flattening of diaphragm; small, elongated heart.

## 18S tridorandOr opharyngealObstruction

Differential diagnosis of Wheezing	
Infant	Older Child
Vascular ring Tracheoesophageal fistula Gastroesophageal reflux Asthma Viral infection(bronchitis, upper respiratory tract infection) Pertussis Cystic fibrosis Bronchopulmonary dysplasia Congenital heart disease	Asthma Aspiration( reflex, foreign body ) Epiglottitis Laryngotracheobronchitis(croup) Cystic fibrosis Hypersensitivity pneumonitis Tuberculosis Tumor Alpha <sub>1</sub> -antitrypsin deficiency Vocal cord dysfunction

## Stridor and Oropharyngeal obstruction

**Chief Complaint:** Difficulty breathing.

**History of Present Illness:** Time of onset of stridor, respiratory distress. Fever, sore throat, headache, malaise. Voice changes (muffled voice), drooling. Hoarseness, exposure to infections. Trauma or previous surgery. Increased stridor with stress; worsening with position; improvement with the neck extended (congenital laryngomalacia). Cough, cyanosis, regurgitation, choking with feedings, drooling, foreign body. History of intubation (subglottic stenosis), hemangiomas.

**Perinatal History:** Abnormal position in utero, forceps delivery, shoulder dystocia. Respiratory distress or stridor at birth.

Oropharyngeal obstruction	Stridor
Fever, sore throat, headache Muffled voice Craniofacial anomalies Cutaneous abnormalities Neurologic symptoms	Gradual onset Acute onset, fever Worsening position Perinatal trauma Method of delivery Presentation birth Feeding difficulties Previous intubation

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Adequate oxygenation and ventilation, airway stability. Anxiety, restlessness, fatigue, obtundation. Grunting respirations, muffled voice, hoarseness, stridor.

**Vital Signs:** Respiratory rate, tachypnea, shallow breathing. Pulse oximetry. Tachycardia, fever. Growth percentiles.

**Head:** Congenital anomalies.

**Skin:** Perioral cyanosis, nail bed mottling, clubbing.

**Nose:** Nasal flaring.

**Mouth:** Bifid uvula, cleft palate, asymmetrical facial swelling. Brisk gag reflex, tonsils enlarged, tongue deviated, mouth opening reduced, dental occlusion altered.

**Neck:** Muffled voice, tracheal tug, sternal tenderness, midline trachea.

**Heart:** Murmurs, abnormal heart sounds, asymmetric blood pressure.

**Chest:** Widened mediastinum, retractions, chest deformities, accessory muscle use (severe obstruction), hyperresonance, wheezes.

**Abdomen:** Rebound tenderness, paradoxical abdominal wall motion (abdominal hernia or intestinal obstruction).

**Extremities:** Cyanosis, clubbing, edema.

Anxiety, fatigue, lethargy Cyanosis Tachypnea Hyperpnea Shallow breaths Pulse oxygen saturation < 95% Poor growth Clubbing Heart murmur Congenital head and neck anomalies Bifid uvula Enlarged tonsils Neck mass Asymmetric chest expansion Retractions	Increased anterior-posterior chest diameter Accessory muscle use Mouth-breathing Grunting, nasal flaring Muffled voice Hyponasal speech Hypernasal speech Low-pitched, hoarse voice Aphonia Quiet, muffled stridor Stridor Asymmetric wheezes Nodding tenderness Opisthotonic posture Torticollis

### Differential Diagnosis of Oropharyngeal Obstruction

Micrognathia Pierre-Robin syndrome Treacher-Collins syndrome Macroglossia Down syndrome Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome Lymphangioma Hemangioma Linguinal thyroid Tonsillitis/hyperthyroidism: Bacterial, viral Uvulitis Peritonsillar abscess	Retropharyngeal abscess Parapharyngeal abscess Hemangioma Lymphangioma Ranula Lymphoma Lymphosarcoma Rhabdomyosarcoma Fibrosarcoma Epidermoid carcinoma Adenoidal hypertrophy Palatal hypotonia Obesity

## 20H hoarseness

Differential diagnosis of Stridor	
Neonatal	Older Child
Laryngomalacia Subglotticstenosis Webs Laryngeal cysts Tracheal stenosis Tracheomalacia Tracheal cartilage defect Laryngeal/tracheal ring calcification Vascular rings Pulmonary sling Innominate artery tracheal compression Vocal cord paralysis (Arnold-Chiari malformation, Dandy-Walker cyst, recurrent laryngeal nerve injury) Tumor Trauma (intubation, thermal injury, corrosive, gastrointestinal infections)	Oropharyngeal infection (peri tonsillar abscess, retropharyngeal abscess, tonsillitis) Viral infections (croup) Epiglottitis Bacterial tracheitis Aspirated/swallowed foreign body Tumor (hemangioma, lymphangioma)

## Hoarseness

**Chief Complaint:** Hoarseness.

**History of Present Illness:** Age and time of onset, duration, onset symptoms, rate of onset, respiratory distress. Fever, hemangiomas, sore throat; prolonged loud crying or screaming (vocal chord polyps or nodules). Trauma or previous surgery; exposure to infections, exacerbating or relieving factors.

**Perinatal History:** Abnormal position in utero, shoulder dystocia, hyperextended neck during delivery (excessive neck traction). Respiratory distress or stridor at birth.

**Past Medical History:** Intubation (subglottic stenosis); prior upper respiratory tract infections. Neurologic disorders (hydrocephalus, Arnold-Chiari malformation), trauma, previous surgery.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Hoarseness, abnormal sounds/posture, muffled voice; hyponasal speech, hypernasal speech, quiet, moist stridor, inspiratory stridor, biphasic stridor; tachypnea.

**Vital Signs:** Respiratory rate (tachypnea), tachycardia, temperature. Delayed growth parameters.

**Mouth:** Tongue symmetry, movement, dental resections, masses. Cleft palate, bifid vulva, enlarged tonsils. Mouth-breathing, grunting, nasal flaring;

**Neck:** Congenital anomalies; neck mass, masses, external fistulas, midline trachea.

**Cardiac:** Murmurs, asymmetric blood pressures.

**Chest:** Asymmetric chest expansion, retractions, increased anteroposterior chest diameter; accessory muscle use, abnormal vocal fremitus, wheezes, asymmetric wheezes; upright posture, neck extended, opisthotonic posture, torticollis.

**Extremities:** Cyanosis, clubbing.

<b>Neonatal</b>	<b>Older Child</b>
<p>Laryngomalacia Webs Subglotticstenosis Cystic lesions Excessive secretions(fistulas, gastroesophageal reflux) Vascular tumors(hemangioma, lymphangioma) Criduchatsky syndrome Vocal cord paralysis Vocal cord trauma Hypothyroidism, hypocalcemia, Farber disease Viral infection(laryngitis, croup)</p>	<p>Postnasal drip Epiglottitis Recurrent voice abuse(cord polyps, nodules) Sicca syndrome Neoplasia(papilloma, hemangioma) Trauma(postsurgical intubation) Gaucher disease, mucopolysaccharidosis Williamson syndrome, Cornelia de Lange syndrome Conversion reaction</p>

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# Infectious Diseases

## Fever

**Chief Complaint:** Fever.

**History of Present Illness:** Degree of fever; time of onset, pattern of fever; cough, sputum, sore throat, headache, abdominal pain, ear pain, neck stiffness, dysuria; vomiting, rash, night sweats. Diarrhea, bone or joint pain, vaginal discharge.

**Past Medical History:** Ill contacts. Exposure to mononucleosis; exposure to tuberculosis or hepatitis; tuberculosis skin testing; travel history, animal exposure; recent dental procedure.

**Medications:** Antibiotics, anti convulsants.

**Allergies:** Drug allergies.

**Family History:** Familial Mediterranean fever, streptococcal disease, connective tissue disease.

**Social History:** Alcohol use, smoking.

**Review of Systems:** Reactions to insect bites or stings, weight loss, growth curve failure. Previous surgery or dental work. Heart murmur, AIDS risk factors.

### Historical Findings in Fever Unknown Origin

Skinbreaks? Puncture or laceration.

Insect bites? Tick exposure, flies or mosquitoes.

Unusual or poor lymph prepared foods? Raw fish, unpasteurized milk.

Onset, periodicity, temperature curve, weight loss, school absence?

Localized pain?

Fever pattern?

Exposure or travel?

Pets? Kittens, exposure to other animals.

Drugs? Any medication.

Review of systems? Rash, joint complaints, cough, bowel movements.

Blood, urine, stool, and throat cultures?

Complete blood count? Inflammatory disorders, usual lymphadenopathy, leukocyte count. Faling count suggests a downward process.

Screening laboratory procedures? Liver enzymes, lactate dehydrogenase.

Tuberculin skin test with controls?

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Lethargy, toxic appearance. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (fever curve), respiratory rate (tachypnea), pulse (tachycardia). Hypotension (sepsis), hypertension (neuroblastoma, pheochromocytoma). Growth and weight percentiles.

**Skin:** Rashes, nodules, skin breakouts, bruises, pallor. Icterus, splinter hemorrhages; delayed capillary refill, petechiae (septic emboli, meningococcemia),

echyma gangrenosum (purpura plaque of *Pseudomonas*). Pustules, cellulitis, furuncles, abscesses.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, supraclavicular, axillary, inguinal adenopathy.

**Eyes:** Conjunctival erythema, retinal hemorrhages, papilledema.

**Ears:** Tympanic membrane inflammation, decreased mobility.

**Mouth:** Perioral tenderness, swollen lymph nodes, pharyngeal erythema, exudate.

**Neck:** Lymphadenopathy, neck rigidity.

**Breast:** Tenderness, masses, discharge.

**Chest:** Dullness to percussion, rhonchi, crackles.

**Heart:** Murmurs (rheumatic fever, endocarditis, myocarditis).

**Abdomen:** Masses, liver tenderness, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly; right lower quadrant tenderness (appendicitis). Costovertebral angle tenderness, suprapubic tenderness (urinary tract infection).

**Extremities:** Wounds; lymphangitis (phlebitis); joint/bone tenderness (septic arthritis). Osseous nodes, Janeway's lesions (endocarditis). Clubbing, vertebral tenderness.

**Rectal:** Perianal skin tags, fissures, anal ulcers (Crohn's disease), rectal flocculence, fissures, masses, occult blood.

**Pelvic/Genitourinary:** Cervical discharge, cervical tenderness, adnexal tenderness, adnexal masses, genital herpes lesions.

Complete blood count, including leukocyte differential and platelet count	Serum lactate
Electrolytes	Cultures with antibiotic sensitivities
Arterial blood gases	Blood
Blood urea nitrogen and creatinine	Urine
Urinalysis	Wound
INR, partial thromboplastin time, fibrinogen	Sputum, drains
	Chest X-ray
	Computed tomography, magnetic resonance imaging, abdominal ultrasound

## Differential Diagnosis of Fever

### Infectious Disease (50% of diagnoses)

#### Localized Infection

Respiratory tract

Upper—rhinitis, pharyngitis, sinusitis

Lower—pneumonia, bronchitis, bronchiectasis, foreign body

Urinary tract infection

Osteomyelitis

Meningitis, encephalitis

Abdominal abscess, appendicitis

#### Generalized Infection

Common—Epstein-Barr virus, enteric infection (*Salmonella*, *Yersinia* species), cat-scratch disease, tuberculosis, hepatitis, cytomegalovirus

Unusual—tularemia, brucellosis, leptospirosis, Q fever, Lyme disease, syphilis, toxoplasmosis

**Collagen/Connective Tissue Disorders**

*Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis*

*Kawasaki syndrome*

*Systemic lupus*

*Rheumatic fever*

**Other:** Vasculitis syndromes, Behcet's disease, mixed connective tissue disease, sarcoidosis

**Neoplasia**

*Lymphoreticular malignancies*

*Sarcomas*

Inflammatory bowel disease

*Crohn's disease*

**Periodic Fever**

Recurrent viral infections

Cyclic neutropenia, familial Mediterranean fever (serositis, arthropathy), "pharyngitis with aphthous stomatitis" (Marshall's syndrome), familial cold autoinflammation

**Pseudo-fever of unknown origin:** Prolonged low-grade fevers without findings on examination, multiple vague complaints, normal laboratory tests

## Cough and Pneumonia

**Chief Complaint:** Cough

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of cough, fever. Sputum color, quantity, consistency. Sore throat, rhinitis, diarrhea, headache, ear pain; vomiting, chest pain, hemoptysis. Travel history, exposure to tuberculosis, tuberculosis testing. Timing of the cough, frequency of cough; cough characteristics. Dry, "brassy" cough (tracheal or large airway obstruction). Cough that is most notable when attention is drawn to it (psychogenic cough). Exposure to other persons with cough.

**Past Medical History:** Previous hospitalizations, prior radiographs. Diabetes, asthma, immunodeficiencies, chronic pulmonary disease.

**Medications:** Antibiotics

**Immunizations:** Influenza, streptococcal immunization.

**Allergies:** Drug allergies

**Perinatal History:** Respiratory distress syndrome, bronchopulmonary dysplasia, congenital pneumonia.

**Psychosocial History:** Daycare or school attendance, school absences, stressors within the family, tobacco use.

**Family History:** Asthma, atopy, cystic fibrosis, tuberculosis, recurrent infections.

**Review of Systems:** General state of health; growth and development; feeding history, constipation, choking, abnormalities of stool, neuromuscular weakness.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress, cyanosis, dehydration. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vitals Signs:** Temperature (fever), respiratory rate (tachypnea), pulse (tachycardia), blood pressure, height and weight percentiles.

**Skin:** Eczema, urticaria.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, axillary, inguinal lymphadenopathy

**Ears:** Tympanic membrane erythema.

**Nose:** Nasal polyps.

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**Throat:** P haryngeal cobblestone follicles, pharyngeal erythema, masses, tonsillar enlargement.

**Neck:** Rigidity, m asses, thyroid enlargement.

**Chest:** Chest wall deformities, asymmetry, unequal expansion. Increased vocal fremitus, dullness to percussion, wheezing, rhonchi, crackles; bronchi al breath sounds with decreased intensity.

**Heart:** Tachypnea, gallops, murmurs (rheumatic fever, endocarditis, myocarditis).

**Abdomen:** Hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Cyanosis, clubbing.

**Neurologic:** Decreased mental status, gags reflexes, muscle tone and strength, swallowing coordination.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, electrolytes, BUN, creatinine; O<sub>2</sub> saturation, UA. WBC (> 15,000 cells/dL), blood cultures. Sputum or deep tracheal aspirate for Gram stain and culture. Tuberculin skin test (PPD), cultures and fluorescent antibody techniques for respiratory viruses.

**Chest X-ray:** Segmental consolidation, air bronchogram signs, atelectasis, pleural effusion.

Infant	Toddler/Young School-Age	Older School-Age/Adolescent
Infections Viral/bacterial infections Tuberculosis Gastroesophageal reflux Anomalies Vascular ring Innominate artery compression Tracheoesophageal fistula Pulmonary sequestration Subglottic stenosis Interstitial pneumonia Desquamative interstitial pneumonia Lymphocytic interstitial pneumonitis Asthma Cystic fibrosis Ciliary dyskinesia syndromes Immunodeficiency	Viral infections Sinusitis Tuberculosis Gastroesophageal reflux Inhaled foreign body Desquamative interstitial pneumonitis Lymphocytic interstitial pneumonitis Asthma Cough-variant asthma Pollutants (cigarette smoke) Suppurative lung disease Cystic fibrosis Bronchiectasis Right middle lobe syndrome Ciliary dyskinesia syndromes	Asthma Recurrent viral infections Sinusitis Tuberculosis Mycoplasma Gastroesophageal reflux Psychogenic cough Cystic fibrosis Bronchiectasis Immunodeficiency

## Tuberculosis

**Chief Complaint:** Cough and fever.

**History of Present Illness:** Tuberculosis in test (P PD) results; duration of cough, sputum, fever, headache. Stiff neck, bone pain, joint pain. Prior treatment for tuberculosis. Exposure to tuberculosis. Chest X-ray results. Sputum culture, quantity, consistency, hemoptysis. Urban, low-income population, homeless.

**Travel History:** Travel to South America, Southeast Asia, India.

**Past Medical History:** Previous pneumonia, previous hospitalizations, prior radiographs, risk factors. Diabetes, asthma, steroids, immunodeficiencies, chronic pulmonary disease.

**Medications:** Antihistamines.

**Allergies:** Drug allergies.

**Family History:** Source case drug resistance. Tuberculosis, recurrent infections, chronic lung disease.

**Review of Systems:** General state of health; growth and development; feeding history, abnormal stools, neuromuscular weakness.

**Social History:** Daycare or school attendance.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress. Note whether patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (fever), respiratory rate (tachypnea), pulse (tachycardia), Blood Pressure, growth percentageiles.

**Skin:** Rash, cyanosis, urticaria.

**Lymph Nodes:** Lymphadenopathy (cervical, supraclavicular, axillary, inguinal).

**HEENT:** Tympanic membranes, neck stiffness.

**Chest:** Increased vocal fremitus. Increased percussion resonance, rhonchi, crackles, bronchial breath sounds with decreased intensity.

**Cardiac:** Distant heart sounds, murmur, rub.

**Abdomen:** Masses, tenderness, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Clubbing, edema.

**Neurologic:** Mental status, muscle tone and strength.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Complete blood count, electrolytes, BUN, creatinine; Oxygen saturation; liver function tests; Urine analysis; stool for occult blood; chest X-ray; sputum for acid-fast bacilli stain and culture. Histologic examination of lymph nodes, pleura, liver, bone marrow biopsies.

**Chest X-ray:** Segmental consolidation, hilar node enlargement, segmental atelectasis.

**Differential Diagnosis:** A typical mycobacterial infection, active pulmonary tuberculosis, latent tuberculosis.

## Otitis Media

**Chief Complaint:** Ear pain.

**History of Present Illness:** Ear pain, fever, irritability. Decreased hearing; onset; cough, sore throat, headache, neck stiffness, diarrhea.

**Past Medical History:** Previous episodes of otitis media, pneumonia, asthma, diabetes, immunosuppression, steroid use.

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**Allergies:** A ntibiotics.

**FamilyHistory:** R ecurrenteari nfections.

### **Physical Examination**

**Ears:** B ulging,opaci fied,ery thematously mpanic membrane;poor vi sualization of landm arks, absent light reflex , retraction, decreased m obility w ith insufflationofai r.

**Nose:** N asaldi scharge,ery thema.

**Throat:** P haryngealry thema,ex udate.

**Chest:** Breathsounds.

**Heart:** R ateandrhy thm,m urmurs.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness,hepatom egaly.

**LaboratoryEvaluation:** C BC,el ectrolytes,ty mpanocentesis.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Acute otitis media, mastoiditis, otitis externa, otitis media with effusion,cholesteatoma, tympanosclerosis,cholesteatoma.

## **Pharyngitis**

**Chief Complaint:** S orethroat.

**HistoryofPresentIllness:** Sore throat,fever,cough,irritability ,earpain.Nasal discharge,headache,abdom inalpai n;pri orstreptococcal pharyngitis, past streptococcalpharyngitis,scarl etfever,rheum aticfever.

**PastMedicalHistory:** Previousepisodesofotitismedia,pneumonia,asthma, diabetes,i mmunosuppression.

**Allergies:** A ntibiotics.

**FamilyHistory:** S treptococcalthroat infections.

### **Physical Examination**

**GeneralAppearance:** N otew hetherhepati entappearswelltoxic.

**VitalSigns:** Temperature(fever),pulse,bl oodpressure,respiratoryrate.

**Skin:** Rash(" sandpaper"feel ,scarl etfever).

**LymphNodes:** Tendercervicaladenopathy .

**Ears:** Tympanicmembraneery thema,bul ging.

**Nose:** M ucosalry thema.

**Throat:** E rythema,vesicles,ulcers,softpalatepetechiae.T onsillarex udate.

**Mouth:** Foul breath.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness(m esentericadenitis),hepatomegaly,splenomegaly.

Clinical Manifestations of Pharyngitis			
	Group A streptococcus	Viral (other than EBV)	Epstein-Barr virus
<b>Age</b>	Generally 3 years or older	Any age	Over 5 years (especially school age/adolescent)
<b>Season</b>	Fall/spring	Any	Any
<b>Clinical</b>	Tender cervical adenopathy, foul breath, tonsillar exudates, soft palate petechiae, abdominal pain (mesentericadenitis), headache, rash ("sandpaper" feel, scarlet fever), northisis, diarrhea, no cough, conjunctivitis (if e., non-Urticarial symptoms)	Papular-vesicular lesions on tonsillarlers (e.g., herpangina, Coxsackie A), URI symptoms. Rash, often papulopustular or squamous.	Indolent onset, tonsillitis, lymphadenopathy, fatigue, hepatosplenomegaly, atypical lymphocytes in peripheral smear. Rash with periorificial pustules. Illness lasts 7-10 days (GABHS infection resolves within 7 days).

## **30P eritonsillar,R etropharyngeal P arapharyngealA bscess**

**LaboratoryE valuation:**R apidanti gendetecti ontest,throatcul ture.

**DifferentialD iagnosisofP haryngitis:**V iruses(i nfluenza,adenovi rus,E pstein-Barr virus), groups C and G streptococci ,C orynebacterium diphtheriae(gray exudate in the pharynx),C hlamydia.

## **Peritonsillar, Retropharyngeal or Parapharyngeal Abscess**

**ChiefCo mplaint:**T hroat pain.

**History of P resent Illness:** Recent tonsil llopharyngitis or URI. S tridor, dysphagia, drooling.

**Past M edical H istory:** Previous peritonsillar abscesses, pharyngitis, otitis media, pneumonia, asthma, diabetes, immunosuppression.

**Medications:** Immunosuppressants.

**Allergies:** Antibiotics.

**FamilyH istory:** Streptococcal pharyngitis.

### **PhysicalE xamination**

**GeneralA ppearance:** Somewhat drowsy, lethargic. No rashes.

**Throat:** Tissue edema, "hot potato voice," uvula pointing toward unaffected side (peritonsillar abscess). S tridor, drooling, anterior pharyngeal wall displacement (retropharyngeal abscess).

**LymphN odes:** Cervical lymphadenopathy.

**Chest:** Breath sounds, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Murmurs, rubs.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**LaboratoryE valuation:** Cultures of surgical drainage. Lateral neck X-ray.

## **Epiglottitis**

**ChiefCo mplaint:**S ore throat.

**History of P resent Illness:** 3 to 7 years of age and an abrupt onset of high fever, severe sore throat, dysphagia, drooling. Refusal to swallow, drooling; quiet, hoarse voice.

**Past M edical H istory:** Immunosuppression.

**Medications:** Immunosuppressants.

**Vaccinations:** Haemophilus influenzae immunization.

### **PhysicalE xamination**

**General A ppearance:** Inspiratory stridor, "toxic" appearance. Respiratory distress (stridor, retractions, neck extended), apprehension.

**Chest:** S tridor, decreased breath sounds.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Cyanosis.

**LaboratoryE valuation:** Lateral neck x-rays

## Differential Diagnosis of Epiglottitis

Epiglottitis	Viral Laryngotracheitis	Bacterial Tracheitis
High fever, dysphagia, drooling, "stridor", appearance, refusal to speak	Low-grade fever, coryza, barking cough, hoarse voice	Improving croup that worsens; high fever, stridor, anterior neck tenderness: nodrooling

## Croup (Viral Laryngotracheobronchitis)

**Chief Complaint:** Cough.

**History of Present Illness:** Mild upper respiratory symptoms, followed by sudden onset of bark-like cough and hoarseness, often at night.

**Past Medical History:** Immunosuppression.

**Past Medical History:** Prematurity, respiratory distress syndrome, bronchopulmonary dysplasia.

**Medications:** Antibiotics.

**Vaccinations:** Haemophilus influenzae immunization.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Low-grade fever, non-toxic appearance. Comfortable at rest, bark-like cough. Restlessness, altered mental status.

**Vital Signs:** Respirations (tachypnea), blood pressure, pulse (tachycardia), temperature (low-grade fever).

**Skin:** Pallor, cyanosis.

**Chest:** Inspiratory stridor, tachypnea, retractions, diminished breath sounds.

**Abdomen:** Reactions, paradoxical abdominal motion (abdominal resistances on inspiration), tenderness.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Anteroposterior neck radiographs: subglottic narrowing ("steeplesign"); pulse oximetry.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Epiglottitis, acute croup, foreign body aspiration, anaphylaxis; spasmodic croup (recurrent allergic upper airway spasm).

## Bronchiolitis

**Chief Complaint:** Wheezing.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of wheezing, cough, mild fever, nasal discharge, congestion. Cold weather months. Oxygen saturation on.

**Past Medical History:** Chronic pulmonary disease (i.e., prematurity, bronchopulmonary dysplasia), heart disease, immunocompromise.

**Medications:** Bronchodilators.

**Allergies:** Aspirin, food allergies.

**Family History:** Asthma, hay fever, eczema.

**Social History:** Exposure to passive smoking.

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### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Comfortable appearing, non-toxic.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (low-grade fever), respirations, pulse, blood pressure.

**Ears:** Tympanic membranes erythema.

**Nose:** Rhinorrhea

**Mouth:** Faringopharyngeal lesions.

**Chest:** Chest wall retractions, wheezing, crackles on inspiration, diminished airway change.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Paradoxical abdominal wall motion with respiration (i.e., abdomen collapses with each inspiration).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, electrolytes, pulse oximetry. Nasopharyngeal washings for RSV antigen.

**Chest X-ray:** Hyperinflation, flattened diaphragms, patchy atelectasis.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Foreign body aspiration, asthma, pneumonia, congestive heart failure, aspiration syndromes (gastroesophageal reflux).

## Meningitis

**Chief Complaint:** Fever and lethargy.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration and degree of fever; headache, neck stiffness, cough; lethargy, irritability (high-pitched cry), vomiting, anorexia, rash.

**Past Medical History:** Pneumonia, otitis media, endocarditis. Diabetes, sickle cell disease; recent upper respiratory infections. Travel history.

**Perinatal History:** Prematurity, respiratory distress.

**Medications:** Antibiotics.

**Social History:** Home situation.

**Family History:** Exposure to influenza or meningococcal infection.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Level of consciousness; obtundation, labored respiration. Noteworthiness: patient looks "ill," well, or malnourished.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (fever), pulse (tachycardia), respiratory rate (tachypnea), blood pressure (hypotension).

**Skin:** Capillary refill, rashes, petechiae, purpura (meningococcemia).

**Head:** Bulging or sunken fontanelle.

**Eyes:** Extraocular movements, papilledema, pupillary reactivity, ptosis.

**Neck:** Nuchal rigidity. Brudzinski's sign (neck flexion causes hip flexion); Kernig's sign (flexion of the knee causes passive dorsiflexion of the foot).

**Chest:** Rhonchi, crackles, wheezing.

**Heart:** Rate of rhythm, murmurs.

**Extremities:** Splinter hemorrhages (endocarditis).

**Neurologic:** Altered mental status, weakness, sensory deficits.

### Laboratory Evaluation:

**CSF Tube 1:** Gram stain, culture and sensitivity, bacterial antigen screen (1-2 mL).

**CSF Tube 2:** Glucose, protein (1-2 mL).

**CSF Tube 3:** Cell count and differential (1-2 mL).

Electrolytes, BUN, creatinine. CBC with differential, blood cultures, ear cultures from purulent lesions: cultures of stool, urine, joint fluid, abscess;

purified protein derivative (PPD).

### Cerebrospinal Fluid Analysis

Disease	Color	Protein	Cells	Glucose
Normal CSF fluid	Clear	<50 mg/100 mL	<5 lymphs/mm <sup>3</sup>	>40 mg/100 mL, ½-2/3 of blood glucose level
Bacterial meningitis or tuberculous meningitis	Cloudy	Elevated 50-1500	>100 WBC/mm <sup>3</sup> predominantly neutrophils. Bacteria present Gram stain	Low, < ½ of blood glucose
Tuberculous, fungal, partially treated bacterial, syphilis meningitis, meningeal metastases	Clear opalescent	Elevated usually <500	10-500 WBC with predominant lymphs	20-40, low
Viral meningitis, partially treated bacterial meningitis, encephalitis, toxoplasmosis	Clear opalescent	Slightly elevated or normal	10-500 WBC with predominant lymphs	Normal to low

## Urinary Tract Infection

**Chief Complaint:** Pain with urination.

**History of Present Illness:** Dysuria, frequency (voiding repeatedly) of small amounts), malodorous urine, incontinence; suprapubic pain, lower-back pain, fever, chills (pyelonephritis), vomiting, irritability; constipation. Urine culture results (suprapubic aspiration or urethral catheterization).

**Past Medical History:** Urinary infections.

Age	Signs/Symptoms
Newborn/infant	Hypothermia, hyperthermia, failure to thrive, vomiting, diarrhea, sepsis, irritability, lethargy, jaundice, malodorous urine
Toddler	Abdominal pain, vomiting, diarrhea, constipation, abnormal voiding pattern, malodorous urine, fever, poor growth

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Age	Signs/Symptoms
Schoolage	Dysuria, frequency, urgency, abdominal pain, incontinence or secondary enuresis, constipation, malodorous urine, fever
Adolescent	Dysuria, frequency, urgency, abdominal pain, malodorous urine, fever

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Dehydration, septic appearance. Note whether the patient looks toxic or well.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (high fever [ $> 38^{\circ}\text{C}$ ]), pyrexia, tachypnea, respiratory rate, pulse, B.P.

**Chest:** Breathing sounds.

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Suprapubic tenderness, costovertebral angle tenderness (pyelonephritis), renal mass, nephromegaly. Lower abdominal mass (distended bladder), stool iron on.

**Pelvic/Genitourinary:** Circumcision, hypospadias, phimosis, foreskin; vaginal discharge.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Urine culture, urine Gram stain, urine C & S, CBC with differential, electrolytes. Ultrasound, voiding cystourethrogram, renal nuclear scan.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Cystitis, pyelonephritis, vulvovaginitis, gonococcal or chlamydia urethritis, herpes infection, cervicitis, appendicitis, pelvic inflammatory disease.

### Differential Diagnosis of Urinary Tract Symptoms

Urinary tract infection  
Urethritis  
Urethral irritation by soaps, detergents, bubble bath  
Vaginal foreign bodies

Emotional disturbances  
Vulvovaginitis  
Trauma (sexual abuse)  
Pinworms

## Lymphadenopathy and Lymphadenitis

**Chief Complaint:** Swollen lymph nodes.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of generalized regional adenopathy. Fever, pain, spiking fevers, relapsing fever, rash, arthralgias. Subacute throat, nasal discharge, cough, travel history. Animal exposure (cat scratch, kittens). Localized trauma or skin infection, exposure to tuberculosis, blood product exposure. Conjunctivitis, recurrent infections.

**Past Medical History:** Developmental delay, growth failure.

**Social History:** Intravenous drug use, high-risk sexual behavior.

**Medications:** Phenytoin.

**Review of Systems:** Weight loss, night sweats, bone pain. Pallor, easy bruising.

### Historical Evaluation of Lymphadenopathy

Generalized or regional lymphadenopathy  
Fever  
Rash  
Exposure to infection  
Travel

Animalexposure  
Bloodproductexposure  
Arthralgia/arthritis  
Delayed growth/development  
Weight loss, night sweats  
Lesions at birth

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Dehydration, septic appearance. Note whether the patient looks toxic or well.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (fever), pulse (tachycardia), blood pressure, wide pulse pressure (hyperthyroidism). Growth percentiles.

**Lymph Nodes:** Generalized or regional lymphadenopathy. Location, size of enlarged lymph nodes; discreteness, mobility, consistency, tenderness, fluctuation. Supraclavicular or posterior triangle lymphadenopathy.

**Skin:** Lesions in the area(s) nearby affected lymph nodes. Sandpaper rash (scarlet fever), punctum, pustules, splinter hemorrhages (endocarditis), exanthem, rose spots, maculopapular rash (syphilis, stemic lupus erythematosus).

**Eyes:** Conjunctivitis, uveitis.

**Chest:** Breath sounds, wheeze, crackles.

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, masses, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Joint swelling,oint tenderness, extremity lesions, nasopharyngeal masses.

Generalized or regional lymphadenopathy  
Growth failure

Fever  
Tachycardia, wide pulse, septic shock, bradycardia  
Rash/exanthem

Hepatosplenomegaly

Skin pustules/puncture  
Conjunctivitis/uveitis  
Midline neck mass, tracheal retraction  
With tongue protrusion  
Masses posterior triangle angle  
Supraclavicular mass

## 36Lymphadenopathy and Lymphadenitis

Location of Node(s)	Etiology of Infection or Process
Posterior auricular, posterior or suboccipital, occipital	Measles, scalp infections (e.g., tinea capitis)
Submandibular, anterior cervical	Oropharyngeal or facial infections (unilateral, "cold" submandibular nodes without infection indicates atypical bacteria)
Preauricular	Sinusitis, tularemia
Posterior cervical	Adjacent skin infection
Bilateral cervical lymphadenopathy, marked degree	Kawasaki's disease, mononucleosis, toxoplasmosis, secondary syphilis
Supraclavicular or scalene, lower cervical	Infiltrative process (malignancy)
Axillary	Cat-scratch disease, spirochosis
Generalized adenopathy, including axillary, epitrochlear, inguinal	Generalized infection (mononucleosis, hepatitis), immunodeficiency (HIV), sarcoidosis
Recurrent episodes of adenitis	Chronic granulomatous disease, immunodeficiency

## Differential Diagnosis of Generalized Lymphadenopathy

Systemic Infections	
Bacterial infections	Tuberculosis
Scarlet fever	Syphilis
Varicella zoster virus (e.g., rubella, varicella)	Toxoplasma infection
Epstein-Barr virus	Brucellosis
Cytomegalovirus	Histoplasmosis
Hepatitis viruses	Coccidioidomycosis
Cat-scratch disease	Typhoid fever
Mycoplasma infection	Malaria
Bacterial endocarditis	Chronic granulomatous disease
	HIV infection
Immune-Mediated Inflammatory Disorders	
Systemic lupus erythematosus	Kawasaki syndrome
Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis	Hyper IgD syndrome
Serum sickness	Hyper IgE syndrome
Storage Diseases	

Gaucherdi sease Niemann-Pickdi sease	Tangierdi sease
<b>Malignancies</b>	
Leukemia Lymphoma Neuroblastoma	HistiocytosisX X-linked lymphoproliferative syndrome
<b>Metabolic Disorders</b>	
Hyperthyroidism	Adrenal insufficiency
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	
Drug reactions(phenytoin, allopurinol) Hemolytic anemias Immunoblastic lymphadenopathy	Sarcoidosis Sinus histiocytosis

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Throat culture, EBV, CMV, toxoplasmosis titers, CBC and differential, ESR, PPD. Blood cultures, chest X-ray, VDRL. Needle aspiration of the node, after saline infusion, for Gram stain and acid-fast stains, and culture for aerobic, anaerobic, and mycobacteria. Cat scratch bacillus (Bartonella henselae) titer.

### Differential Diagnosis of Cervical Lymphadenopathy

Viral upper respiratory tract infection (EBV, CMV infection)	Systemic disorders
Suppurative infections (staphylococcal, streptococcal)	Kawasaki syndrome
Cold inflammation	Kikuchi disease
Cat-scratch disease	Hyper IgD syndrome
Atypical mycobacterial adenitis	Hyper IgE syndrome
Toxoplasmosis	Sinus histiocytosis
	Sarcoidosis
	Drugs

## Cellulitis

**Chief Complaint:** Red skin lesion.

**History of Present Illness:** Warm, red, painful, indurated lesion. Fever, chills, headache; diarrhea, localized pain, night sweats. Infective tearing; joint pain.

**Past Medical History:** Cirrhosis, diabetes, heart murmur, recent surgery; AIDS risk factors.

**Allergies:** Drug allergies.

**Review of Systems:** Animal exposure (pets), travel history, drug therapy.

**Family History:** Diabetes, cancer.

**Social History:** Homelessness.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Noted either the patient looks "ill" or well.

## 38 Infective Endocarditis

**Vital Signs:** Temperature (fever curve), respiratory rate (tachypnea), pulse (tachycardia), blood pressure (hypotension).

**Skin:** Warm, erythematous, tender, indurated lesion. Purplish demarcated erythema with flat borders. Bullae, skin blisters, petechiae, ecchymosis, gangrenous (purpura of pseudomonas), pustules, abscesses.

**Lymph Nodes:** Generalized lymphadenopathy.

**HEENT:** Conjunctival erythema, periorbital edema, tympanic membrane inflammation, neck rigidity.

**Chest:** Rhonchi, crackles, dullness to percussion (pneumonia).

**Heart:** Murmurs (endocarditis).

**Abdomen:** Liver tenderness, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly. Costovertebral angle tenderness, suprapubic tenderness.

**Extremities:** Wounds, joint/bone tenderness (septic arthritis).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, ESR, blood cultures, electrolytes, glucose, BUN, creatinine, UA, urine Gram stain, C&S; skin lesion cultures. Need aspiration of border for Gram stains to identify organisms.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Cellulitis, erysipelas, dermatitis, dermatophytosis.

## Infective Endocarditis

**Chief Complaint:** Fever

**History of Present Illness:** Chronic fever, murmur, malaise, anorexia, weight loss, arthralgias, abdominal pain. Recent gastrointestinal procedure, urinary procedure, dental procedure. Vascular disease, rheumatic fever, seizures, stroke.

**Past Medical History:** Congenital heart disease.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Nodules on the skin, hepatosplenomegaly, icterus.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypotension), pulse (tachycardia), temperature (fever), respiratory rate (tachypnea).

**Eyes:** Roth spots (white retinal hemorrhages) with surrounding hemorrhage.

**Chest:** Crackles, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Egurgitant murmur.

**Skin:** Petechiae, Janeway lesions, Osler's nodes, splinter hemorrhages.

**Extremities:** Edema, clubbing.

**Abdomen:** Hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, tenderness.

**Neurologic:** Weakness, sensory deficits.

**Laboratory Studies:** CBC (leukocytosis with left shift), ESR, CXR, ECG, blood cultures, urinalysis and culture, BUN/creatinine, cultures of intravenous lines and catheters, echocardiography.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Infective endocarditis, rheumatic fever, systemic infection, tuberculosis, urinary tract infection.

## SepticA rthritis

**ChiefCo mplaint:** Joi ntpai n.

**History of P resent Illness:** Joint pain and w armth, redness, swelling, decreased range of motion. A acute onset of fever, limb, or refusal to walk. Penetrating injuries or lacerations. Preexisting joint disease (eg, rheumatoid arthritis), prosthetic joint; sexually transmitted disease history.

**Past M edical H istory:** History of influenza immunization, sickle cell anemia, M. tuberculosis history.

### PhysicalE xamination

**GeneralA ppearance:** N otew hether hepatomegaly, abdominal tenderness, skin rash, petechiae.

**Vital S igns:** Temperature (fever), blood pressure (hypotension), pulse rate (tachycardia), respiratory rates.

**Skin:** Erythema, skin puncture. Vesicular rash, petechiae.

**HEENT:** Neck rigidity.

**Chest:** Crackles, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Murmurs, friction rub.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Erythema, limitation in joint range of motion, joint tenderness, swelling. Refusal to change position.

**Laboratory E valuation:** X-rays of joint (joint space destruction, periosteal reaction), C-reactive protein, white blood cell count, Gram stain, glucose, mucin clot, cultures. Bone-joint scans (gallium, technetium). Blood cultures. Culture of cervical lymph node aspirate. Polymerase chain reaction for gonorrhea. Lyme titer, anti-streptolysin-O titer.

Synovial Fluid Findings in Various Types of Arthritis			
	WBC Count/mm <sup>3</sup>	% PMN	Joint Fluid:Blood Glucose Ratio
Septic arthritis	>50,000	≥ 90	Decreased
Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis	<15,000-20,000	60	Normal to decreased
Lyme arthritis	15,000-100,000	50+	Normal

**Differential D iagnosis:** Septic arthritis, Lyme disease, juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, acute rheumatic fever, inflammatory bowel disease, leukemia (bone pain), syphilis, trauma, cellulitis.

## Osteomyelitis

**ChiefCo mplaint:** Leg pain.

**HistoryofP resentIll ness:** Extremity pain, degree of fever, duration of fever, limitation of extremity use; refusal to use the extremity or bear weight. Hip pain, abdominal pain, penetrating trauma, dog or cat bite (Pasteurella multocida), human bites, immunocompromise, tuberculosis.

## 40Osteo myelitis

**Past Medical History:** Diabetes mellitus, sickle cell disease; surgery, prosthetic devices.

**Medications:** Immunosuppressants.

**Social History:** Intravenous drug abuse.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Noted hemothorax, epigastric tenderness, well.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypotension), pulse rate (tachycardia), temperature (fever), respiratory rate (tachypnea).

**Skin:** Petechiae, cellulitis, rash.

**Chest:** Crackles, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Regurgitant murmurs.

**Extremities:** Point tenderness, swelling, warmth, erythema. Tenderness of femur, tibia, humerus.

**Back:** Tenderness over spinous processes.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, rectal mass.

**Feet:** Puncture wounds.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Complete blood count (WBC), ESR (>50), blood culture, X-rays (soft tissue edema), C-reactive protein, T-scan, technetium bone scan.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Cellulitis, skeletal or bone neoplasia (Ewing's sarcoma, leukemia), bone infarction (hemoglobinopathy), hemophilia with bleeding, thrombophlebitis, child abuse/trauma, syphilis.

# Gastrointestinal Disorders

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## Acute Abdominal Pain and the Acute abdomen

**Chief Complaint:** Abdominal pain n.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of pain, location of pain; characteristics of pain (diffuse, burning, crampy, sharp, dull); constant or intermittent; frequency. Effect of eating, defecation, urination, movement. Characteristics of last bowel movement. Relation to asthma, menstrual period, od.

Relationship to meals. What does the patient do when the pain occurs? Fever, chills, nausea, vomiting (bilious, undigested food, blood, sore throat, constipation, diarrhea, hematochezia, melena, anorexia, weight loss).

**Past Medical History:** Diabetes, asthma, premature maturity, surgery. Endoscopies, X-rays.

**Medications:** Aspirin, NSAIDs, narcotics, anti-cholinergics, laxatives.

**Family History:** Abdominal pain in family members, peptic ulcer disease, irritable bowel syndrome.

**Social History:** Recent travel, change in food consumption, drugs or alcohol.

**Review of Systems:** Growth delay, weight gain, amenorrhea, bloating, distension. Headache, fatigue, weakness, stress-related symptoms.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Degree of distress, body positioning to relieve pain, nutritional status. Signs of dehydration, septice appearance.

**Vitals:** Temperature (fever), pulse (tachycardia), BP (hypertension, hypotension), respiratory rate and pattern (tachypnea).

**Skin:** Jaundice, petechiae, pallor, rashes.

**HEENT:** Pale conjunctiva, pharyngeal erythema, pus, fluid in neck veins.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, axillary, periumbilical, inguinal lymphadenopathy, Virchow node (supraclavicular mass).

### Abdomen

**Inspection:** Distention, visible peristalsis (small bowel obstruction).

**Auscultation:** Absent bowel sounds (obstruction), high-pitched rushes (early obstruction), bruits.

**Palpation:** Masses, hepatomegaly, liver texture (smooth, coarse), splenomegaly. Bimanual palpation of flank, nephromegaly. Rebound tenderness, hernias, (inguinal, femoral, umbilical); costovertebral angle tenderness. Retained fecal material, distended bladder (obstruction, uropathy).

**McBurney's Point/Tenderness:** Located two-thirds of the way between umbilicus and anterior superior iliac spine (appendicitis).

**Iliopsoas Sign:** Elevation of legs against resistance causes pain, retrocecal appendicitis. Obturator sign: Flexion of right thigh and external rotation of the thigh causes pain in pelvic appendix.

**Rovsing's Sign:** Manual pressure and release at left lower quadrant causes referred pain in McBurney's point (appendicitis).

**Percussion:** Liver and spleen span, tympany.

**Rectal Examination:** Impacted stool, masses, tenderness; gross or occult blood.

**Perianal Examination:** Fissures, fistulas, hemorrhoids, skin tags, soiling (fecal

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oruri naryi ncontinence).

**Male Genital Examination:** Hernias, undescended testes, hydrocephalus.

**Female Genital Examination:** Urethra, distal vaginal trauma; imperforate hymen. Pelvic examination in prepubertal girls. Cervical discharge, adnexal tenderness, masses, cervical lymphadenopathy.

**Extremities:** Edema, digital clubbing.

**Neurologic:** Observations of the patient's mental status, oxygen saturation, pulse, blood pressure, temperature, and reflexes.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Complete blood count, electrolytes, liver function tests, amylase, lipase, urinalysis, pregnancy test.

**Chest X-ray:** Free air under the diaphragm, infiltrates.

**Acute Abdomen X-ray Series:** Flank stripes, subdiaphragmatic free air, distended bowel, sentinel loop, abdominal levels, califications, fecaliths.

### Differential Diagnosis of Acute Abdominal Pain

**Generalized Pain:** Intestinal obstruction, abdominal ectoacidosis, constipation, malrotation of the bowel, volvulus, sickle cell crisis, acute porphyria, musculoskeletal trauma, psychogenic pain.

**Epigastrium:** Gastroesophageal reflux, intestinal obstruction, gastroenteritis, gastritis, peptic ulcer disease, esophagitis, pancreatitis, perforated viscus.

**Right Lower Quadrant:** Appendicitis, intussusception, salpingitis, endometritis, endometriosis, ectopic pregnancy, hemorrhage or rupture of ovarian cyst, testicular torsion.

**Right Upper Quadrant:** Appendicitis, cholecystitis, hepatitis, gastritis, gonococcal peritonitis (Fitz-Hugh-Curtis syndrome), pneumonia.

**Left Upper Quadrant:** Gastroesophageal reflux, peptic ulcer, gastritis, pneumonia, pancreatitis, volvulus, intussusception, sickle cell crisis.

**Left Lower Quadrant:** Volvulus, intussusception, mesenteric lymphadenitis, intestinal obstruction, sickle cell crisis, colitis, strangulated hernia, testicular torsion, psychogenic pain, inflammatory bowel disease, gastroenteritis, pyelonephritis, salpingitis, ovarian cyst, ectopic pregnancy, endometriosis.

**Hypogastric/Pelvic:** Cystitis, urolithiasis, appendicitis, pelvic inflammatory disease, ectopic pregnancy, strangulated hernia, endometriosis, ovarian cyst torsion, bladder adderall stenosis.

## Recurrent Abdominal Pain

**Chief Complaint:** Abdominal pain.

**History of Present Illness:** Quality of pain (burning, crampy, sharp, dull); location (diffuse or localized). Duration of pain, change in frequency; constant or intermittent.

Effect of eating, vomiting, defecation, urination, inspiration, movement and position. Characteristics of bowel movements. Relation to last menstrual period. Vomiting (bilious, undigested food, blood), constipation, diarrhea, hematochezia, melena; dysuria, hematuria, anorexia, weight loss. Relationship to meals; triggers and relief (antacids). Relationship to them enuresis.

What does the patient complain of? How does it affect activity? School attendance, school stress, school phobia. What fears does the child have? What activities has the child discontinued?

**Past Testing:** Endoscopies, x-rays, upper GI series.

**Past Medical History:** Diabetes, asthma, surgery, diabetes, prematurity. Prior treatment for abdominal pain.

**Family History:** A abdominal pain in family members, urolithiasis, migraine, peptic ulcer disease, irritable bowel syndrome, hemolytic anemia, chronic pain.

**Social History:** Recent travel, changed schools, change in water and food consumption, marital discord, recent losses (grandparent, pet), general family function. Review of activity level, including meals, activities, sleep pattern, school schedule, time off from work, medications; drugs/alcohol, sex and activity, sexual abuse.

**Review of Systems:** Growth, weight gain, stool pattern, bloating, distension, hematemesis, hematochezia, jaundice. Headache, limb pain, dizziness, fatigue, weakness. Stress-related symptoms.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Drowsy, pale, diaphoretic, septal appearance. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vitals:** Temperature (fever), pulse (tachycardia), BP (hypertension, hypotension), respiratory rate (tachypnea). Growth percentiles, deceleration in growth, weight-for-height.

**Skin:** Pallor, rashes, nodules, jaundice, purpura, petechiae.

**HEENT:** Pale conjunctiva, scleral icterus.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, periumbilical, inguinal lymphadenopathy, Virchow node (enlarged supraclavicular node).

**Chest:** Breath sounds, rhonchi, wheeze.

**Heart:** Murmurs, diastolic heart sounds, peripheral pulses.

### Abdomen

**Inspection:** Abdominal distention, scars, visible peristalsis.

**Auscultation:** Quality and pattern of bowel sounds; high-pitched bowel sounds (partial obstruction), bruits.

**Palpation:** Palpation while noting the patient's appearance, reaction, and distractibility. Tenderness, rebound, masses, hepatomegaly, liver texture (smooth, coarse), splenomegaly; retained fecal material. Bimanual palpation of flank (nephromegaly), hernias (inguinal, femoral, umbilical); costovertebral angle tenderness.

**McBurney's point tenderness:** Located two-thirds of the way between umbilicus and anterior superior iliac spine, appendicitis.

**Rovsing's sign:** Manual pressure and release at left lower quadrant causes referred pain in McBurney's point, appendicitis.

**Percussion:** Tympany, liver and spleen span by percussion.

**Perianal Examination:** Fissures, fistulas, hemorrhoids, skin tags, underwearing (fecal urgency incontinence).

**Rectal Examination:** Impacted stool, masses, tenderness; gross or occult blood.

**Male Genital Examination:** Hernias, undescended testes, hydroceles.

**Female Genital Examination:** hymeneal ring trauma, imperforate hymen, urethra, diastasis recti. Pelvic examination in pubertal girls. Cervical discharge, adnexal tenderness, masses, cervix calm or tender.

**Extremities:** Rachial pulses, femoral pulses, edema. Digital clubbing, loss of nailbed angle (osteoarthritis).

**Neurologic Examination:** Observation of the patient moving around during the examination table; gait.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Complete blood count, electrolytes, BUN, liver function tests, amylase,

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Lipase, UA, pregnancy test.

**Chest X-ray:** Free air underdiaphragm, infiltrates.

**X-ray of Abdomen (acute abdomen causes):** Free air, distended loops of bowel, abdominal levels, masses, calcifications, fecaliths.

### Differential Diagnosis of Recurrent Abdominal Pain

#### Gastrointestinal Causes

Antral gastritis, peptic ulcer disease  
Constipation  
Crohn's disease  
Carbohydrate malabsorption  
Pancreatitis  
Cholelithiasis  
Malrotation and volvulus  
Intestinal parasitic infection (Giardia, lamblia)

#### Urinary Tract Disorders

Ureteropelvic junction obstruction  
Urinary tract infection  
Urolithiasis

#### Psychogenic Causes

Conversion reaction  
Somatoform disorder  
Anxiety disorder

#### Other Causes

Intervertebral disk disease  
Spine disease  
Musculoskeletal trauma  
Migraine or cyclical vomiting  
Abdominal epilepsy

## Persistent Vomiting

**Chief Complaint:** Vomiting.

**History of Present Illness:** Character of emesis (effortless, forceful, projectile, color, food, uncurdled milk, bilious, feculent, blood, coffee grounds, round柏油便); abdominal pain, retching, fever, headache, cough.

Jaundice, recent change in medications. Ingestion of spoiled food; exposure to ill contacts. Overeating, weight gain, abdominal pain, diarrhea, constipation, fingersucking, abdominal palpitations. Weight loss, irritability, apnea.

Emesis related to meals; specific foods that induce emesis (food allergy/intolerance to milk, soy, gluten). Pain on swallowing (odynophagia), difficulty swallowing (dysphagia). Diarrhea, constipation.

Proper formula preparation, air gulping, postural changes. Constant headache, worse withValsalva maneuver and occurring with morning emesis (increased ICP).

Possibility of pregnancy (last menstrual period, contraception, sexual history). Prior X-rays, upper GI series, endoscopy.

**Past Medical History:** Diabetes, peptic ulcer disease, CNS disease. Travel, animal or pet exposure.

**Medications:** Digoxin, theophylline, chemotherapy, anticholinergics, morphine, ergotamines, oral contraceptives, progesterone, erythromycin.

**Family History:** Migraine headaches.

**Historical findings in Persistent Vomiting****Appearance of Vomitus**

Large volume, bilious  
Uncurdled milk, food

Bile

Feculent emesis

Bloody, coffee-ground

**Character of Emesis**

Effortless, nonbilious

Tongue thrusting

Fingersucking, gagging

Projectile vomiting

**Timing of Emesis**

Early morning

Related to meals or foods

**Other Gastrointestinal Symptoms**

Nausea

Swallowing difficulties

Constipation

Pain

Jaundice

**Neurologic Symptoms**

Headache

Seizures

**General**

Respiratory distress

Travel, airplane meal/petrol exposure

Influenza-like symptoms

Stress

**Physical Examination**

**General Appearance:** Signs of dehydration, septic appearance. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypotension, hypertension), pulse (tachycardia), respiratory rate, temperature (fever). Growth percentiles.

**Skin:** Pallor, jaundice, flushing, rash.

**HEENT:** Nystagmus, papilledema; ketone odor on breath (apple cider, diabetic ketoacidosis); jugular venous distention. Bulging fontanelle, papilledema.

**Lungs:** Wheezes, rhonchi, rales.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness to palpation, distention, increased bowel sounds, rebound tenderness (peritonitis). Nephromegaly, masses, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, costovertebral angle tenderness.

**Extremities:** Edema, cyanosis.

**Genitourinary:** Abdominal tenderness, uterine enlargement.

**Rectal:** Perirectal lesions, localized tenderness, masses, occult blood.

**Neurologic Examination:** Strength, sensation, posture, gait, deep tendon reflexes.

**Vital Signs:** Tachycardia, bradycardia, tachypnea, fever, hypotension, hypertension, short stature, poor weight gain

**Abdomen**

Distension

Absent bowel sounds

Increased bowel sounds

Rebound tenderness

Masses

**Genitourinary System**

Adnexal pain

Mass

Rectal mass

**Respiratory:** Bronchospasm, pneumonia

**Neurologic:** Migraine, seizures, increased intracranial pressure

**Renal:** Flank pain

**Skin:** Rash, purpura

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, electrolytes, UA, amylase, lipase, LFTs, pregnancy test, abdominal X-rays, urinalysis.

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### Functional

Innervation

Gastroesophageal reflux

Postcibal bloating

Improper meal preparation

Aerophagia

### Gastrointestinal obstruction

Esophageal: obstruction, stricture, stenosis, vascular ring, tracheal-esophageal fistula, cricopharyngeal narrowing, achalasia, hiatal hernia, diaphragmatic hernia

Torsion of the stomach

Malrotation of the bowel

Volvulus

Intestinal obstruction, stricture, meconium ileus with cystic fibrosis, meconium plug

Webs

Annular pancreas

Paralytic ileus (peritonitis, postoperative, acute infection, hypokalemia)

Hirschsprung disease

Imperforate anus

Enteric duplication

**Other gastrointestinal causes:** Nectrotizing enterocolitis, congenital lactose intolerance, milk-protein intolerance, lactose malabsorption, GI perforation, hepatitis, pancreatitis

**Neurologic:** Increased intracranial pressure, subdural hydrocephalus, edema, kernicterus

**Renal:** Obstructive uropathy, renal insufficiency

**Infection:** Systemic infections, pyelonephritis

**Metabolic:** Urea cycle deficiencies, amino acidopathies, disorders of carbohydrate metabolism, acidosis, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, tetany, hypercalcemia

**Drugs/toxins:** Theophylline, caffeine, digoxin

**Blood:** Sallowing, maternal blood, gastritis, ulcers

Pneumonia

Dysautonomia

Postoperative anesthesia

Gastroesophageal reflux, esophagitis

**Functional**

Innocent

Improper meal preparation

Aerophagia

Postcibal belching

Nervous

Rumination

**Esophageal:** Foreign body, stenosis, vascular ring, tracheoesophageal fistula, cricopharyngeal coordination, achalasia, hiatal hernia

**Stomach:** Bloating, lactose intolerance

**Intestinal obstruction:** pyloric stenosis, malrotation, Meckel's diverticulitis, intussusception, incarcerated hernia, Hirschsprung disease, appendicitis, intestinal duplications

**Other gastrointestinal causes:** A number of conditions, including hypokalemia, Helicobacter infection, peritonitis, pancreatitis, celiac disease, viral and bacterial enteritis, lactose intolerance, milk-soy protein intolerance, cholelithiasis, gallstones, pseudo-obstruction

**Neurologic:** Increased intracranial pressure (subdural hematoma, hydrocephalus, cerebral edema)

**Renal:** Obstructive uropathy, renal insufficiency, stones

**Infectious:** Meningitis, sepsis, pyelonephritis, otitis media, sinusitis, pertussis, hepatitis, parasitic infestation

**Metabolic:** Urea cycle deficiencies, aminoacidopathies, disorders of carbohydrate metabolism, acidosis, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, tetany, hypercalcemia

**Drugs/toxins:** Theophylline, digoxin, iron, alcohol

**Blood**

Hydrometrocolpos

Radiation/chemotherapy

Reye's syndrome

Psychogenic vomiting

Munchausen's syndrome by proxy

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**Gastroesophageal reflux**

**Gastrointestinal obstruction**

Esophagus:Eosophitis,foreign body,corrosive ingestion,hiatal hernia  
Stomach:Foreign body,bezoar,chronic granulomatous disease

Intestinal obstruction:Paroxysmal colic,abdominal tenderness,altered bowel habits,volvulus,Mirck's diverticulitis,meconium ileus,incarcerated hernia,intussusception,Hirschsprung's disease,adhesive colitis,Crohn's disease,superior mesenteric artery syndrome

**Other gastrointestinal causes:** Annular pancreas,paralytic ileus,hypokalemia,Helicobacter pylori infection,peritonitis,pancreatitis,celiac disease,viral enteritis,hepatobiliary disease,gallstone ileus,Heuch-Schönlein purpura.

**Neurologic:** Increased intracranial pressure,Leigh's disease,migraine,motion sickness,seizures

**Renal:** Obstructive uropathy,renal insufficiency,stones

**Infection:** Meningitis,sepsis,pyelonephritis,otitis media,skin rash,hepatitis,parasitic infestation,streptococcal pharyngitis,labyrinthitis

**Metabolic:** Inborn errors of metabolism,acidosis,diabetics,adrenal insufficiency

**Drugs/toxins:** Aspirin,digitalis,iron,lead,alcohol,illegal drugs

**Torsion of the testis or ovary**

**Blood**

**Radiation/chemotherapy**

**Reye's syndrome**

**Postoperative vomiting**

**Cyclic vomiting**

**Pregnancy**

**Psychologic:** Bulimia,nervosa,anorexia nervosa,stress,Marfan's syndrome,eating disorders

## **Jaundice and Hepatitis**

**Chief Complaint:** Jaundice.

**History of Present Illness:** Timing, progression, distribution of jaundice.

Abdominal pain, anorexia, vomiting, fever, dark urine, pruritus, arthralgias, rash, diarrhea. Gradual, constitutional progression of jaundice (physiological jaundice or breast-feeding jaundice), bilateral conjunctivitis, rashes, fever, constipation, foreign travel.

**Past Medical History:** Hepatitis C serologies, liver function tests, liver biopsy, hepatitis immunization.

**Perinatal History:** Course of pregnancy, illnesses, infections, medications taken during the pregnancy. Inability to pass meconium (cystic fibrosis), failure to thrive, irritability. Newborn hypoglycemia, lethargy after the first formula feedings (carbohydrate metabolism disorders).

**Medications:** Acetaminophen, ibuprofen, phenytoin.

**Family History:** Liver disease, family history of jaundice, lung disease, alpha<sub>1</sub>-antitrypsin deficiency. History of perinatal death (metabolic disorders).

**Social History:** Illicit drug abuse, alcohol, exposure to hepatitis viruses.

## Historical Findings in Jaundice

Neonate	Older Child
<p><b>Family history:</b> Familial jaundice, emphysema, infant deaths</p> <p><b>Prenatal history:</b> Infection in pregnancy, maternal risk for hepatitis, medications</p> <p><b>Perinatal history:</b> Hypoglycemia, vomiting, lethargy with feedings, failure to thrive, passes meconium, icterus, acholic stools.</p>	<p><b>Acute illness</b></p> <p><b>Failure to thrive</b></p> <p><b>Family history of jaundice</b></p> <p><b>Exposure:</b> Blood products, raw shellfish, travel, drug abuse</p>

## Physical Examination

**General appearance:** Signs of dehydration, septic appearance, irritability. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital signs:** Pulse, Blood Pressure, respiratory rate, temperature (fever).

**Skin:** Escharmoses, ex coriations, jaundice, urticaria, bronze discoloration (hemochromatosis), diffuse rash (perinatal infection). Malar rash, discoloration lesions (lupus), erythematous scaly papules (erythema nodosum).

**Lymph nodes:** Cervical or inguinal lymphadenopathy.

**Head:** Cephalohematoma, hypertelorism, high forehead, large fontanelle, pursed lips (Zellweger syndrome), microcephaly.

**Eyes:** Conjunctivitis, cataracts, Kayser-Fleischer rings (bronze corneal pigmentation, Wilson's disease), xanthomas (chronic liver disease).

**Mouth:** Sublingual jaundice.

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs.

**Chest:** Gynecomastia, breath sounds.

**Abdomen:** Bowel sounds, bruises, right upper quadrant tenderness; liver span, hepatomegaly; liver margin texture (blunt, irregular, firm, smooth), splenomegaly; ascites.

**Extremities:** Joint tenderness, joint swelling, palpable erythema, edema, anasarca. Jaundice, erythematous nodules over skin (erythema nodosum).

**Neurologic:** Lethargy, hypotonia, neuromuscular deficits.

**Rectal:** Perianal skin tags (inflammatory bowel disease), hemorrhoids, occult blood.

## Screening Labs

Complete blood count, platelets, differential, smear

AST, ALT, GGT, alkaline phosphatase

Total and fractionated bilirubin

Protein, albumin levels

INR, PTT

Stool color

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### **AssessmentLabs**

#### **Infection**

Culturesofbl ood,uri ne,cerebrospi nalfi uid

Serologies:T oxoplasmosis,rubel la,cy tomegalovirus,herpes,hepati tis panel,sy philis,E pstein-Barrvirus

#### **Metabolic**

Alpha<sub>1</sub>-antitrypsinl evelandP ity ping

Thyroxineandthy roidsti mulatinghorm one

Metabolicsscreen:U rine/serumam inoaci ds

Sweatchl oridetest

Ceruloplasmin,uri narycopperex cretion

Toxicologyscreen

#### **Structural**

24-hourduodenalintubationforbilirubinex cretion

Ultrasound

Radionuclideorhepatobiliary scan

Operativechol angiogram

**Autoimmune/inflammatory:** ESR, ANA

### **PathologicD iagnosis**

Liverbi opsy

Bonem arrowbi opsy(enzymedeficiency,hem oglobinopathies,hemolytic anemias)

<p><b>Nonpathologic Causes</b></p> <p>Physiologic jaundice Breast milk jaundice</p> <p><b>Pathologic Causes</b></p> <p><b>Unconjugated hyperbilirubinemia</b></p> <p>Bilirubin overproduction ABO/Rh incompatibility Hemoglobinopathies Erythrocyte membrane defects Polycythemia Extravascular bilirubin</p> <p>Increased uptake Increased enterohepatic uptake Intestinal obstruction</p> <p>Genetic Crigler-Najjar syndrome type I and II Gilbert's syndrome</p> <p>Miscellaneous Hypothyroidism Sepsis, urinary tract infection Hypoxia, acidosis Hypoglycemia Maternal diabetes mellitus High intestinal obstruction Drugs Fatty acids (hyperlipidemia) Lucy-Driscoll syndrome</p> <p><b>Conjugated hyperbilirubinemia</b></p> <p>Anatomic Extrahepatic Biliary atresia Bile duct stenosis Choledochal cyst Bile duct perforation Biliary stricture Biliary stenosis or neoplasm</p> <p>Intrahepatic Alagille syndrome Nonsyndromic interlobular ductal hypoplasia Caroli's disease Congenital hepatic fibrosis Inspissated bile</p>	<p><b>Conjugated hyperbilirubinemia (continued)</b></p> <p>Metabolic/genetic</p> <p>Alpha 1-antitrypsin deficiency Galactosemia Fructose intolerance Glycogen storage diseases Tyrosinemia Zellweger syndrome Cystic fibrosis Excretory defects Dubin-Johnson syndrome Rotor syndrome Summerskill syndrome Byler's disease</p> <p>Infections TORCH (toxoplasmosis, other agents, rubella, cytomegalovirus, herpes simplex)</p> <p>Syphilis HIV Varicella-zoster virus Coxsackievirus Hepatitis (A, B, C, D, E) Echo virus Tuberculosis Gram-negative infections Listeria monocytogenes Staphylococcus aureus Sepsis, urinary tract infections</p> <p>Miscellaneous Trisomies 17, 18, 21 Total parenteral nutrition Postoperative jaundice Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation Idiopathic neonatal hepatitis</p>
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### Differential Diagnosis in Children

<b>Metabolic/Genetic</b> Gilbertsyndrom e Dubin-Johnsonsyndrom e Rtorsyndrom e Cysticfi brosis Indianchi Idhoodci rrhosis Wilsondi sease Tyrosinemia Alpha <sub>1</sub> -antitrypsindeficiency	<b>Infections(continued)</b> <b>Viral</b> Herpes simplexvirus Varicella-zoster virus Adenovirus Enterovirus Rubellavirus Arbovirus HIV Echovirus <b>Bacterial</b> Sepsis Toxicshocksyndrom e Lymedi sease Rockymountainspotted fever <b>Miscellaneous</b> Viscerall arvalmigrans Schistosomiasis Reyesyndrom e
<b>Anatomic</b> Caroli syndrome Congenitalhepatocellular fibrosis Choledochal cyst Cholelithiasis Pancreasandpancreatic duct abnormalities <b>Infections</b> <b>Viral</b> Hepatitis(A ,B ,C ,D ,E ),C MV Epstein-Barr virus	

## Hepatosplenomegaly

**Chief Complaint:** Liverorsplenomegaly argued.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of enlargement of the liver and spleen. Acute or chronic illness, fever, jaundice, pallor, bruising, weight loss, fatigue, joint pain, joint stiffness. Nutritional history, growth delay. Neurodevelopmental delay or osseofocal mental milestones.

**Past Medical History:** Previous organomegaly, neurologic symptoms. General health.

**Perinatal History:** Prenatal complications, neonatal jaundice.

**Medications:** Current and past drugs, anti convulsants, toxins.

**Family History:** Siblings with metabolic disorders, hepatic fibrosis, alpha<sub>1</sub>-antitrypsin deficiency. History of neonatal death.

**Social History:** Infections, toxic exposures, drug or alcohol abuse.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Wasting, ill appearance, malnutrition.

**Vitals Signs:** Blood pressure, temperature, pulse, respiration. Growth curve.

**HEENT:** Head size and shape,icterus, cataracts (galactosemia), Kayser-Fleischer rings (Wilson's disease). Coarsening of facial features (mucopolysaccharidoses).

**Skin:** Xeroderma, spider angiomas (chronic liver disease), biliary obstruction of the biliary tract; pallor, petechiae, bruising (malignancy, chronic liver disease); erythema nodosum (inflammatory bowel disease, sarcoidosis).

**Lymph Nodes:** Located and size of lymphadenopathy.

**Lungs:** Crackles, wheeze, rhonchi.

**Abdomen:** Distension, prominent superficial veins (portal hypertension), umbilical hernia, bruises. Percussion of flank for shifting dullness. Liver span by

percussion, hepatomegaly. Liver consistency and texture. Splenomegaly.

**Perianal:** Hemorrhoids (portal hypertension), fissures, skin tags, fistulas (inflammatory bowel disease).

**Rectal Exam:** Assess tenderness.

**Extremities:** Edema, joint tenderness, joint swelling, joint erythema (juvenile rheumatoid arthritis, mucopolysaccharidoses). Clubbing (hypoxia, intestinal disorders, hepatitis cirrhosis).

Growth curve failure

Skin: Icterus, pallor, edema, pruritus, spider veins, petechiae and bruises, rashes

Head--microcephaly or acrocephaly

Eyes--cataracts (galactosemia); Kayser-Fleischer rings (Wilson's disease)

Nodes--generalized lymphadenopathy

Chest--adventitious sounds

Heart--gallop, tachycardia, rub, pulsus paradoxus

Abdomen--ascites, large kidneys, prominent veins, hepatosplenomegaly

Rectal--hemorrhoids, sphincter tone, fissures, fistulas, skin tags with inflammatory bowel disease

Neurologic--developmental delay, dystonia, tremor, absent reflexes, ataxia

### Differential Diagnosis of Hepatosplenomegaly

Predominant Splenomegaly	Predominant Hepatomegaly
<b>Infection</b> Viral--Epstein-Barr, cytomegalovirus, parvovirus B19 Bacterial--endocarditis, shunt infection Protozoal--malaria, babesiosis	CMV, syphilis, neonatal hepatitis Hepatitis--A, B, C, D, E, tuberculosis, sarcoidosis, chronic granulomatous disease Drugs--alcohol, phenytoin Sclerosing cholangitis, infectious cholangitis Abscess Chronic active hepatitis Cardiac--failure, pericarditis Budd-Chiari syndrome Paroxysmal nocturnal hemoglobinuria Biliary atresia, hypoplasia Choledochal cyst Congenital hepatic fibrosis Child abuse--trauma Galactosemia, glycogen storage disease, fructose intolerance Tyrosinemia, urea cycle disorders Cystic fibrosis Alpha-1-antitrypsin deficiency Wilson's disease, hemochromatosis Fatty change: malnutrition, obesity, alcohol, corticosteroids, diabetes Primary or继发性 mastocytoma
<b>Hematologic</b> Hemolytic anemia Porphyrias Osteopetrosis, mottled fibrosis	
<b>Vascular</b> Portal vein anomalies Hepatic arteriovenous fistula	
<b>Tumorigenic infiltration</b> Cysts, hemangiomas, hamartomas Lymphoreticular malignancies Neuroblastoma	

## AcuteD iarrhea

**ChiefCo mplaint:** Diarrhea.

**History of P resent Illness:** Duration and frequency , of diarrhea; number of stools per day, characteristics of stool s(bloody, mucous, watery, form ed, oily, foul odor); fever, abdominal pain, cramps, flatulence, anorexia, vomiting. Season (rotavirus occurs in the winter). Amount of fluid intake and food intake.

**PastM edicalH istory:** Recent ingestion of spoiled poultry(salmonella), spoiled milk, seafood (shrimp, shellfish; vibrio parahaemolyticus); common food sources (restaurants), travel history. No contacts with diarrhea, sexual exposures.

**FamilyH istory:** Celiac disease.

**Medications A ssociated with D iarrhea:** Magnesium-containing antacids, laxatives, antibiotics.

**Immunizations:** Rotavirus immunization.

### Physical E xamination

**General A ppearance:** Signs of dehydration. Note whether patient looks septic, well, or malnourished.

**Vital S igns:** Blood pressure, pulse (tachycardia), respiratory rate, temperature (fever).

**Skin:** Turgor, delayed capillary refill, jaundice.

**HEENT:** Eye conjunctivitis, ear membranes.

**Chest:** Breath sounds.

**Heart:** Rhythm, gallops, murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Distention, high-pitched rushes, tenderness, splenomegaly, hepatomegaly.

**Extremities:** Joint swelling, edema.

**Rectal:** Stool consistency, guaiac test.

**Laboratory E valuation:** Electrolytes, CBC with differential. Gram stain of stool for leukocytes. Cultures for enteric pathogens, stool for ova and parasites test; stool and blood for rotavirus antigen; stool cultures for cholera, E. coli O157:H7, Yersinia, rotavirus assay.

**Differential D iagnosis of A cuteD iarrhea:** Rotavirus, Norwalk virus, salmonella, shigella, E. coli, Campylobacter, *Bacillus cereus*, traveler's diarrhea, antibiotic-related diarrhea.

## ChronicD iarrhea

**ChiefCo mplaint:** Diarrhea.

**History of P resent Illness:** Duration, frequency, and timing of diarrheal episodes. Volume of stool output (number of stools per day). Effect of fasting on diarrhea. Prior dietary manipulations and their effect on stool output. Formula changes, fever, abdominal pain, flatulence, tenesmus (painful urge to defecate), anorexia, vomiting, malnutrition, arthralgias, rashes.

**StoolA ppearance:** Watery, form ed, bloody, mucous, oily, foul odor.

Travel history, laxative abuse, inflammatory bowel disease. Sexual exposures, AIDS risk factors. Exacerbation by stress.

**PastM edicalH istory:** Pattern of stool output from birth. Growth deficiency, weight

gain.T hree-dayd ietary record,illco ntacts.

**Medications and Substances Associated with Diarrhea:** Laxatives, magnesium-containing antacids, cholesterol-lowering agents, milk (lactase deficiency), gum (sorbitol).

**Family History:** Family members with diarrhea, milk intolerance, celiac disease.

**Social History:** Water supply, meal preparation, sanitation, pet or animal exposures.

### Historical Findings in Chronic Diarrhea

Age of onset  
Stool characteristics  
Diet (new food/formula)  
Growth delay  
Family history of allergy/genetic metabolic errors

Secretory symptoms: Large volume, watery diarrhea  
Osmotic symptoms: Large number of soft stools  
Systemic symptoms: Fever, nausea, malaise

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Signs of dehydration, normal nutrition. Septic appearance. Note whether patient looks "ill," well, or malnourished.

**Vital Signs:** Growth percentile, pulse, respiratory rate, temperature (fever), blood pressure (hypertension, neuroblastoma; hypotension, dehydration).

**Skin:** Turgor, delayed capillary refill, jaundice, pallor (anemia), hair thinning, rashes, erythema nodosum, periorbital rash, maculopapular rashes (inflammatory bowel disease), hyperpigmentation (adrenal insufficiency).

**Eyes:** Bright spots (vitamin A deficiency), adenopathy.

**Mouth:** Oral ulcers (Crohn's disease, celiac disease), dry mucous membranes; cheilosis (cracked lips, riboflavin deficiency); glossitis (B12, folate deficiency); oropharyngeal candidiasis (AIDS).

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, axillary, inguinal lymphadenopathy.

**Chest:** Thoracic shape, crackles, wheezing.

**Abdomen:** Distention (malnutrition), hyperactive bowel sounds, tenderness, masses, palpable bowel loops, palpable stool. Hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Joint tenderness, swelling (ulcerative colitis); gluteal wasting (malnutrition), dependent edema.

**Genitalia:** Signs of child abuse or sexuality.

**Perianal Examination:** Skin tags and fistulas.

**Rectal:** Perianal rectal ulcers, sphincter tone, tenderness, masses, impacted stool, occult blood, sphincter reflex.

**Neurologic:** Mental status changes, peripheral neuropathy (B6, B12 deficiency), decreased peripheral sensation. Ataxia, diminished deep tendon reflexes, decreased proprioception.

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### Physical Examination Findings in Chronic Diarrhea

Poor growth	Clubbing
Hypertension	Lung crackles, wheezing
Fever	Abdominal mass
Jaundice	Organomegaly
Rash	Abnormal genitalia
Erythema nodosum	Perianal tags
Pyoderma gangrenosum	Rectal impaction
Edema	Ataxia, decreased deep tendon reflexes

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Evaluate electrolytes, complete blood count with differential. Work up stool for occult blood, fecal leukocytes; cultures for enteric pathogens, ova and parasites x 3; clostridium difficile toxin. Stool carbohydrate content. Stool for occult blood, neutral fat (malabsorption); specific fat (maldigestion); stool fat (malabsorption).

### Small Infants and Babies

Chronic non-specific diarrhea of infancy/postinfectious diarrhea  
Milk and soy protein intolerance  
Protracted infectious enteritis  
Microvillus inclusion disease  
Celiac disease  
Hirschsprung's disease  
Congenital transport defects  
Nutrient malabsorption  
Munchausen's syndrome by proxy

### Toddlers

Chronic non-specific diarrhea  
Protracted viral enteritis  
Giardiasis  
Sucrase-isomaltase deficiency  
Tumors (secretory diarrhea)  
Celiac disease  
Ulcerative colitis

### School-Aged Children

Inflammatory bowel disease  
Appendiceal abscess  
Lactase deficiency  
Constipation with enemas  
Laxative abuse  
Giardiasis

# Constipation

**Chief Complaint:** Constipation.

**History of Present Illness:** S tool frequency, consistency, size; stool ing pattern birth to the present. Encopresis, bulky, fatty stools, foul odor. Hard stools, painful defecation, straining, streaks of blood on stool. Dehydration, urinary incontinence, enuresis. Abdominal pain, fever. Recent change in diet. Soiling characteristics and timeline of day. A rest of normal bowel movements (small, dry, rabbit-like pellets)? With holding behavior.

**Dietary History:** Excessive coffee intake, fiber consumption; breastfeeding.

**Past Medical History:** Recent illness, bedrest, fever.

**Medications Associated with Constipation:** Opiates, analgesics, aluminum-containing antacids, iron supplements, anti-histamines, anti-depressants.

**Social History:** Recent birth, emotional stress, housebound.

**Family History:** Constipation.

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Dehydrated appearance, weak cry. Note whether patient looks "ill," well, or nourished.

**Vital Signs:** BP (hypertension, pheochromocytoma), pulse, respiratory rate, temperature. Growth percentiles, poor growth.

**Skin:** Cafecaul spots (neurofibromatosis), jaundice.

**Eyes:** Decreased pupillary response, icterus.

**Mouth:** Cheilosis (crack ed lips, riboflavin deficiency), oral ulcers (inflammatory bowel, coeliac disease), dry mucous membranes, glossitis (B12, folic acid deficiency), oropharyngeal candidiasis (AIDS).

**Abdomen:** Distention, peristaltic waves, weak abdominal musculature (muscular dystrophy, prune-belly syndrome). Hyperactive bowel sounds, tenderness, hepatomegaly. Palpable stool, fecal masses above the pubic symphysis and in the left lower quadrant.

**Perianal:** Anterorectal pain, anal fissures, excoriation, dermatitis, perianal ulcers. Rectal prolapse. Soiling in the perianal area. Sphincter reflex: Gentle rubbing of the perianal skin results in reflex contraction of the external anal sphincter.

**Rectal:** Sphincter tone, rectal ulcers, tenderness, hemorrhoids, masses. Stool in a cavernous ampulla, occult blood.

**Extremities:** Joint tenderness, joint swelling (ulcerative colitis).

**Neurologic:** Developmental delay, mental retardation, peripheral neuropathy (B6, B12 deficiency), decreased peripheral sensation.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes, CBC with differential, calcium.

**Abdominal X-ray:** Air fluid levels, dilation, pancreatic calcifications.

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### Differential Diagnosis of Constipation in Neonates and Young Infants

Meconium ileus Meconium plug syndrome Functional ileus of the newborn Small bowel obstruction syndrome Volvulus Intestinal web Intestinal stenosis Intestinal atresia Intestinal stricture (necrotizing enterocolitis) Imperforate anus Anal stenosis Anterior rectopexy Anterior anal displacement	Hirschsprung disease Acquired aganglionosis Tumors Myelodysplasia Hypothyroidism Maternal apathy Inadequate nutrition/fluids Excessive cow's milk consumption Absence of abdominal distension (prune-belly syndrome) Cerebral palsy
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### Differential Diagnosis of Constipation in Old Children

<b>Physiologic causes</b> Breast milk, cow's milk, formula, cow's milk protein intolerance, anorexia nervosa <b>Voluntary stool withholding</b> Megacolon Painful defecation: Anal fissure, perianal dermatitis, hemorrhoids Behavioral issues Mental retardation <b>Neurogenic disorders</b> Hirschsprung disease Intestinal pseudoobstruction Cerebral palsy Myelomeningocele Spinal cord injury Transverse myelitis Spina bifida Neurofibromatosis Myopathies Rickets Prune-belly syndrome	<b>Endocrine and metabolic disorders</b> Hypothyroidism Diabetes mellitus Pheochromocytoma Hypokalemia Hypercalcemia Hypocalcemia Diabetes insipidus Renal tubular acidosis Porphyria Amyloidosis Lipid storage disorders <b>Miscellaneous disorders</b> Anal rectal stenosis Anterior lipoma Appendicitis Celiac disease Scleroderma Lead poisoning Viral hepatitis Salmonellosis Tetanus Chagas disease Drugs
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## Hematemesis and Upper Gastrointestinal Bleeding

**Chief Complaint:** Vomiting blood.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration and frequency of hematemesis, characteristics of vomitus (bright red blood, coffee-ground material), volume of blood, hematocrit. Forceful retching prior to hematemesis ( Mallory-Weiss tear).

Abdominal pain, melena, hematochezia, peptic ulcer disease, pri or bleeding episodes, nosebleeds. Weight loss, anorexia, jaundice, bright red stools, dark stools.

**Past Medical History:** Diabetes mellitus, hypertension, disorders, renal failure, liver disease. Gastrointestinal surgery.

**Medications:** Alcohol, aspirin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, anti-coagulants, steroids.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Pallor, diaphoresis, confusion, dehydration. Note whether the patient looks "ill," well, or malnourished.

**Vital Signs:** Supine and upright pulse and blood pressure (orthostatic hypotension) (resting tachycardia indicates a 10-20% blood volume loss; postural hypertension indicates a 20-30% blood loss), temperature.

**Skin:** Delayed capillary refill, pallor, petechiae. Hemorrhagic telangiectasia (Osler-Weber-Rendu syndrome), abnormal pigmentation (Pfeutz-Jeghers syndrome), jaundice, ecchymosis (coagulopathy), increased skin elasticity (Ehlers-Danlos syndrome).

**Eyes:** scleral pallor.

**Mouth:** Oropharyngeal lacerations, nasal bleeding, labial and buccal pigmentation (Pfeutz-Jeghers syndrome).

**Chest:** Gynecomastia, breath sounds.

**Heart:** Systolic ejection murmur.

**Abdomen:** Dilated abdominal veins, bowel sounds, distention, tenderness, masses, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Edema, cold extremities.

**Neurologic:** Decreased mental status, gait.

**Rectal:** Masses, hemorrhoids. Polyps, fissures, stool color, occult blood testing.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, platelet count, reticulocyte count, international normalized ratio (INR), partial thromboplastin time (PTT), bleeding time, electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, glucose. Type and cross-match for 2-4 units of packed red blood cells and transfuse as needed. A LT, AST, GGT, P, glucose, electrolytes. Endoscopy, colonoscopy, Meckel's scan, bleeding scan.

Age	Common	Less Common
Neonates (0-30 days)	Swallowed maternal blood, gastritis, duodenitis	Coagulopathy, vascular abnormalities, gastritis/oesophageal duplication, leiomyoma
Infants (30 days - 1 year)	Gastritis, gastritis, esophagitis, duodenitis	Esophageal varices, foreign body, aorto-esophageal fistula
Children (1-12 years)	Esophagitis, esophageal varices, gastritis, gastritis, ulcer, duodenal ulcer, Mallory-Weiss tear, nasopharyngeal bleeding	Leiomyoma, salicylates, vascular malformation, hematuria, NSAIDs

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Age	Common	Less Common
Adolescents(12 years-adult)	Duodenal ulcer,esophagitis,esophageal varices, gastritis,Mallory-Weiss tear	Thrombocytopenia, Disseminated intravascular coagulation, hematemesis

## MelenaandLow erG astrointestinalB leeding

**Chief Complaint:** Anal bleeding

**History of Present Illness:** Duration, quantity, color of stool bleeding (gross blood streaks on stool, melena), recent hematocrit. Change in bowel habits, change in stool caliber, abdominal pain, fever. Constipation, diarrhea, anorectal pain. Epistaxis, anorexia, weight loss, malaise, vomiting.

Fecal occult blood test, excessive straining during defecation. Colitis, peptic ulcer disease, hematemesis.

**Past Medical History:** Barium enema, colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, upper GI series.

**Medications:** Anticoagulants, aspirin, NSAIDs.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Dehydration, pallor. No new hemorrhage at site of oozing, well-nourished.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (orthostatic hypotension), pulse, respiratory rate, temperature (tachycardia).

**Skin:** Delayed capillary refill, pallor, jaundice. Spider angiomas, rash, purpura.

**Eyes:** Pale conjunctiva, icterus.

**Mouth:** Buccal mucosa discolorations or pigmentation (Hemochromatosis, purpura or Purpura-Eutz-Jeghers syndrome).

**Chest:** Breath sounds.

**Heart:** Systolic ejection murmur.

**Abdomen:** Masses, distention, tenderness, hernias, liver atrophy, splenomegaly.

**Genitourinary:** Testicular atrophy.

**Extremities:** Cold, pale extremities.

**Neurologic:** Anxiety, confusion.

**Rectal:** Hemorrhoids, masses, fissures, polyps, ulcers. Gross rectal bleeding.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC (anemia), liver function tests. Abdominal x-ray series (thumbprinting, air fluid levels).

Age	Common	Less Common
Neonates(0-30 days)	Anorectal lesions, swollen anal glands, milk allergy, necrotizing enterocolitis, midgut volvulus	Vascular anomalies, Hirschsprung's enterocolitis, intestinal duplication, coagulopathy

Age	Common	Less Common
Infants(30 days - 1 year)	Anorectal lesions, midgut volvulus, intussusception (under 3 years) Meckel's diverticulitis, infectious diarrhea, milk protein allergy	Vascular anomalies, intestinal duplication, acquired thrombocytopenia
Children(1-12 years)	Juvenile polyps, Meckel's diverticulitis, intussusception (under 3 years), infectious diarrhea, anal fissure, nodular lymphoid hyperplasia	Henoch-Schönlein purpura, hemolytic-uremic syndrome, vasculitis (SLE), inflammatory bowel disease
Adolescents(12 years-adult)	Inflammatory bowel disease, polyps, hemorrhoids, anal fissure, infectious diarrhea	Arteriovascular anomalies, adenocarcinoma, Henoch-Schönlein purpura, Pseudomembranous colitis

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# Gynecologic Disorders

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## Amenorrhea

**Chief Complaint:** Missing periods.

**History of Present Illness:** Date of first menstrual period at age 16. Primary amenorrhea (absence of menses by age 16) or secondary amenorrhea (cessation of menses after previously normal menstruation). Age of menarche, menstrual regularity; age of breast development; sexual activity; possibility of pregnancy, pregnancy testing. Symptoms of pregnancy (nausea, breast tenderness).

Lifestyle changes, dieting, exercise, exercise, drugs (marijuana), psychological stress. Hot flashes (hyperestrogenism), galactorrhea (prolactinoma). Weight loss, fatigue, headaches, vision changes.

**Past Medical History:** History of dilation and curettage, postpartum infection (Asherman's syndrome), postpartum hemorrhage (Sheehan's syndrome); prior pregnancies.

**Medications:** Contraceptives, tri cyclic antidepressants, di-goxin, marijuana, chemotherapeutic agents.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Secondary sexual characteristics, body habitus, obesity, deep voice (hyperandrogenism). Note whether hepatomegaly looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Pulse (bradycardia), temperature (hyperthermia, hypothyroidism), blood pressure, respiration.

**Skin:** Acne, hair distribution, temporal hair loss (hyperandrogenism), cool dry skin (hypothyroidism).

**Eyes:** Visual field defects, bilateral temporal hemianopsia (pituitary adenoma).

**Neck:** Thyroid enlargement, nodules.

**Chest:** Galactorrhea, impaired breast development, breast atrophy.

**Heart:** Bradycardia (hypothyroidism).

**Abdomen:** Abdominal striae (Cushing's syndrome).

**Gyn:** Pubic hair distribution, inguinal or abdominal masses, clitoromegaly, imperforate hymen, vaginal septum, vaginal atrophy, uterine bleeding, ovarian cysts or tumors.

**Extremities:** Tremor (hyperthyroidism).

**Neurologic:** Facial palsy, visual deficits.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Pregnancy test, prolactin, TSH, free T<sub>4</sub>, progesterone challenge test.

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### Differential Diagnosis of Abnormal Menorrhagia

**Pregnancy**  
**Hormonal Contraception**  
**Hypothalamic-related:** Stress, athletic activities, eating disorders, obesity, drugs, tumor  
**Pituitary-related:** Hypopituitarism, tumor, infiltration, infarction  
**Ovarian-related:** Dysgenesis, agenesis, ovarian failure

**Outflow tract-related**  
Imperforate hymen  
Transverse vaginal septum  
Agenesis of the vagina, cervix, uterus  
Uterine synechiae  
**Androgen excess**  
Polycystic ovary syndrome  
Adrenoleukodystrophy  
Adrenal hyperplasia  
Ovarian tumor  
**Other endocrinopathies**  
Thyroid disease  
Cushing's syndrome

## Abnormal Vaginal Bleeding

**Chief Complaint:** Abnormal vaginal bleeding.

**History of Present Illness:** Last menstrual period today, duration and frequency of menses; passing of clots; postcoital or intermenstrual bleeding; abdominal pain, fever, lightheadedness; possibility of pregnancy, sexual activity, hormonal contraception.

Psychological stress, weight changes, exercise. Changes in heart rate and texture.

**Past Medical History:** Obstetric history. Thyroid, renal, or hepatic disease; coagulopathies, endometriosis, dental bleeding.

**Family History:** Coagulopathies, endocrinopathies.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** General body habitus, obesity. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Assess hemodynamic stability, tachycardia, hypotension, orthostatic vital signs; signs of shock.

**Skin:** Pallor, rashes, petechiae, skin texture; fine thinning hair (hypothyroidism).

**Neck:** Thyroid enlargement.

**Breasts:** Masses, galactorrhea.

**Chest:** Breathing sounds.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Gyn:** Cervical motion tenderness, adnexal tenderness, uterus size, cervical lesions.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBC, platelets, beta-HCG, type and screen, cervical culture for N. gonorrhoeae, Chlamydia test, von Willebrand's screen, INR/PTT, bleeding time, pelvic ultrasound. Endometrial biopsy.

**Differential Diagnosis of Abnormal Vaginal Bleeding:** Chronic anovulation, pelvic inflammatory disease, cervicalitis, pregnancy (ectopic pregnancy, spontaneous abortion, molar pregnancy). Hyperthyroidism, hypothyroidism, adrenal disease, diabetes mellitus. Hyperprolactinemia, polycystic ovary syndrome, oral contraceptives, medroxyprogesterone, anti-coagulants, NSAIDs. Cervical polyps, uterine fibroids, endometriosis, retained tampon, trauma, Von Willebrand's disease.

## Pelvic Pain and Ectopic Pregnancy

**Chief Complaint:** Pelvic pain.

**History of Present Illness:** Pelvic or abdominal pain (bi-lateral or unilateral), positive pregnancy test, missed menstrual period, abnormal vaginal bleeding (quantify). Date of last menstrual period, symptoms of pregnancy (breast tenderness, bloating); menstrual interval, duration, age at menarche, characteristics of pelvic pain; onset, duration, shoulder pain. Fever or vaginal discharge.

**Past Medical History:** Surgical history, sexually transmitted diseases, Chlamydia, gonorrhea, obstetrical history. Prior pelvic infection, endometriosis, prior ectopic pregnancy, pelvic adhesions, intrauterine device.

**Medications:** Oral contraceptives.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Moderate exercise, distressed. Noted hemothorax patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** BP (orthostatic hypotension), pulse (tachycardia), respiratory rate (tachypnea), temperature (low-grade fever).

**Skin:** Cool skin, pallor, delayed capillary refill.

**Chest:** Breath sounds.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Cullen's sign (periumbilical darkening, intra-abdominal bleeding), localized tenderness, rebound tenderness.

**Pelvic:** Cervical discharge, cervical motion tenderness; Chaddock's sign (cervical dysuria, pregnancy); Hegar's sign (softening of uterus near isthmus, pregnancy); enlarged uterus, adnexal tenderness, cul-de-sac fullness.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Quantitative beta-HCG, transvaginal ultrasound. Type and blood group, CBC, white blood cell count; GC, chlamydia culture. Laparoscopy.

### Differential Diagnosis of Pelvic Pain

**Pregnancy-Related Causes:** Ectopic pregnancy, spontaneous abortion, threatened abortion, incomplete abortion, intrauterine pregnancy with corpus luteum bleeding.

**Gynecologic Disorders:** Pelvic inflammatory disease, endometriosis, ovarian cysts, hemorrhage or rupture, adnexal torsion, Mittelschmerz, primary dysmenorrhea, tumor.

### Nonreproductive Causes of Pelvic Pain

**Gastrointestinal:** Appendicitis, inflammatory bowel disease, mesenteric adenitis, irritable bowel syndrome.

**Urinary Tract:** Urinary tract infection, renal calculus.

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# Neurologic Disorders

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## Headache

**Chief Complaint:** Headache

**History of Present Illness:** Quality of pain (dull, band-like, sharp, throbbing), location (retro-orbital, temporal, suboccipital, bilateral or unilateral); age of onset; time course of typical headache episode; rate of onset (gradual or sudden); time of day, effect of supine posture. Increasing frequency. Progression in severity. Does the headache interfere with normal activities? Causethesephoto stop playing? Awakening from sleep; analgesic use. "The worst headache ever" (subarachnoid hemorrhage).

**Aura or Prodrome:** Visual symptoms (ataxia, blurred vision, nausea, vomiting, sensory disturbances).

**Associated Symptoms:** Numbness, weakness, diplopia, photophobia, fever, nasal discharge (sinusitis), neck stiffness (meningitis).

**Aggravating or Relieving Factors:** Relief by analgesics or sleep. Exacerbation by bright lights, sounds, straining, exercising, or changing position. Exacerbation by foods (cheese), emotional upset, menses.

**Past Medical History:** Growth delay, development delay, allergies, past illnesses. Head injuries, medications, depression.

**Medications:** Dosage, frequency of use, and effects of medications. Birth control pills.

**Family History:** Migraine headaches in parents. Parental description of their headaches.

**Social History:** School absences. Stressful events. Emotional problems at home or in school. Cigarettes, alcohol, illegal drugs.

**Review Systems:** Changes in personality, memory, intellectual skills, vision, hearing, strength, gait, or balance. Postural lightheadedness, weakness, vertigo.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Note whether patient looks "ill" or well; interaction with parents; sad or withdrawn?

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypertension), pulse, temperature (fever), respiratory rate. Height, weight, head circumference; growth percentiles. Weight loss, lack of linear growth.

**Skin:** Pallor, petechiae, bruises. Alopecia, rashes, and painless oral ulcers. Café au lait spots in the axillary and inguinal areas (neurofibromatosis). Facial angiomas (adenoma sebaceum).

**Head:** Macrocephaly, cranial tenderness, temporal tenderness. Dilated scalp veins, frontal bossing. Subconjunctival hemorrhage (sinusitis). Tympanic tenderness (tympanic membrane). Tympanic tenderness (tympanic membrane).

**Eyes:** Downward deviation of the eyes ("sunset-ring" increased intracranial pressure), exophthalmos, pupillary reactivity, papilledema, visual field deficits. Conjunctival injection, lacrimation (cluster headache).

**Nose:** Rhinorrhea (cluster headache).

**Mouth:** Tooth tenderness, gingivitis, pharyngitis, lymphadenopathy. Masseter muscle spasm, restricted opening (Temporomandibular dysfunction).

**Neck:** Rigidity, neck muscle tenderness.

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**Extremities:** Absent femoral pulses, lower blood pressures in the legs (coarctation of the aorta).

**Neurologic Examination:** Mental status, cranial nerve function, motor strength, sensation, deep tendon reflexes. Disorientation, memory impairment, extraocular muscle dysfunction, spasticity, hyperreflexia, clonus, Babinski sign, ataxia, coordination.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes, ESR, CBC with differential, INR/PTT, MRI scan.

### Recurrent and Chronic Headaches: Temporal Patterns

#### Acute Recurrent Headache

Migraine  
Cluster headache  
Acute sinusitis  
Hypertension  
Intermittent hydrocephalus  
Vascular malformation  
Subarachnoid hemorrhage  
Carbon monoxide poisoning

#### Chronic Nonprogressive Headache

Tension-type headache  
Chronic sinusitis  
Ocular migraine  
Dental abscess, temporomandibular joint syndrome  
Postlumbar puncture  
Posttraumatic headache

#### Chronic Progressive Headache

Central nervous system infection  
Hydrocephalus  
Pseudotumor cerebri  
Brain tumor  
Vascular malformation  
Subdural hematoma  
Arnold-Chiari malformation  
Lead poisoning

## Seizures, Spells and Unusual Movements

**Chief Complaint:** Seizure

**History of Present Illness:** Time of onset of seizure, duration, tonic-clonic movements, description of seizure, frequency of episodes, loss of consciousness. Past seizures, noncompliance with anticonvulsant medication. Aura before seizure (irritability, behavioral change, lethargy), incontinence of urine or feces, postictal weakness or paralysis, injuries. Can the patient tell when an episode will start? Warning signs, triggers for the spells (crying, anger, boredom, anxiety, fever, trauma). Does he speak during the spell? Does the child remember the spells afterward? What happened after the episode (confused, alert)? Can the child describe what happens?

**Past Medical History:** Illnesses, hospitalizations, previous functioning, rheumatic fever. Electroencephalograms, CT scans.

**Medications:** Antidepressants, stimulants, anti-seizure medications.

**Family History:** Similar episodes in family, epilepsy, migraines, tics, tremors, Tourette syndrome, sleep disturbance. Rheumatic fever, streptococcal infection, liver disease, metabolic disorders.

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Postictal lethargy. Note whether hepatomegaly or edema. Observe patient performing simple tasks (tying shoelaces, walking).

**Vital Signs:** Growth percentiles, Blood Pressure (hypertension), pulse, respiratory rate, temperature (hyperpyrexia).

**Skin:** Café-au-lait spots, neurofibromas (von Recklinghausen's disease). Unilateral port-wine facial nevus (Sturge-Weber syndrome); facial angiomas (adenoma sebaceum), hypopigmented ash leaf spots (tuberous sclerosis).

**HEENT:** Head trauma, pupillary reaction, eye movement, exophthalmos, papilledema, gum hyperplasia (phenytoin), tongue or buccal lacerations, neck rigidity.

**Chest:** Rhonchi, wheezing (aspiration).

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs.

**Extremities:** Cyanosis, fractures, trauma.

**Perianal:** Incontinence of urine or feces.

**Neuro:** Dysarthria, visual deficits, cranial nerve palsies, sensory deficits, focal weakness (Todd's paralysis), Babinski's sign, developmental delay.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Glucose, electrolytes, CBC, urine toxicology, anticonvulsant levels, RPR/VDRL, EEG, MRI, lumbar puncture.

## Differential Diagnosis of Seizures, Spells, and Unusual Movements

<b>Epilepsy</b> <b>Movement disorders</b> Tics Myoclonic syndromes Sleep Benign Hyperexplexia (exaggerated startle response) Myoclonus-opsclonus Shuddering spells Dystonia Torsion Transient torticollis Sandifer syndrome Drugs Dyskinesias Metabolic/genetic Reflex dystrophy Nocturnal Physiologic	Choreaathetosis Benign Familial Paroxysmal Sydenhamchorea Huntingtonchorea Drugs <b>Behavioral/Psychiatric Disorders</b> <b>Pseudoseizures</b> Automatisms Dyssynchronous syndrome Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder - der Benign paroxysmal vertigo Migraine Parasomnias Syncope Breathholding spells
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## Apnea

**Chief Complaint:** Apnea.

**History of Present Illness:** Length of pause in respiration. Change in color (cyanosis, pallor), hypotonia or hypertension, resuscitative efforts (rescue breaths, chest compressions). Startled, wheezing, body position during the event, state of consciousness before, during and after the event. Unusual movements, incontinence, postural confusion, stupor. Regurgitation after feedings. Vomitus, oral cavity during the event.

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**Past Medical History:**A bnormal growth, developmental delay, asthma.

**Perinatal History:**Prenatal exposures to infectious agents, maternal exposure to opioids, difficulties during labor and delivery. Respiratory difficulties after birth.

**Immunizations:**Pertussis.

**Family History:**Genetic or metabolic disorders, mental retardation, consanguinity, fetal loss, neonatal death, sudden infant death syndrome, illicit drugs, alcohol.

**Social History:**Physical abuse, previous involvement of the family with child protective services.

### **Physical Examination**

**General Appearance:**Septic appearance, fever, confusion.

**Vital Signs:**Length, weight, head circumference percentiles. Pulse, blood pressure, respirations, temperature.

**Skin:**Color, mottling, extremities; delayed capillary refill, bruises, scars.

**Nose:**Nasal flaring, nasal secretions, mucosal erythema, obstruction, septal deviation, polyps.

**Mouth:**Structure of lips, tongue, palate; tonsillar lesions, mouth assess.

**Neck:**Masses, enlarged lymph nodes, enlarged thyroid.

**Chest:**Increased respiratory effort, intercostal retractions, barrel chest. Irregular respirations, periodic breathing, prolonged pauses in respiration, stridor. Grunting, wheezing, crackles.

**Heart:**Rate and rhythm, S1, S2, murmurs. Preductal and postductal pulse delay (right arm and leg pulse comparison).

**Abdomen:**Hepatomegaly, nephromegaly.

**Extremities:**Dependent edema, digital clubbing.

**Neurologic:**Mental status, muscle tone, strength. Cranial nerve function, gag reflex.

**Laboratory Evaluation:**Glucose, electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, calcium, magnesium, CBC, ECG, O<sub>2</sub> saturation.

## Differential Diagnosis of Apnea

<b>Central Nervous System</b>
Dandy-Walker malformation
Arnold-Chiari malformation
Seizures
Hypotonia, weakness
Ondine's curse
<b>Metabolic/Toxic</b>
Hypoglycemia
Hypocalcemia
Hyponatremia
Acidosis
Hypomagnesemia
Opioids
Medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency
<b>Upper Airway</b>
Craniofacial syndromes
Laryngomalacia
Rhinitis
Choanal stenosis/obstruction
Croup

<b>Upper Airway (continued)</b>
Adenotonsillar hypertrophy
Epiglottitis
Post-extubation
Vocal cord paralysis
Anaphylaxis
<b>Lower Airway</b>
Pneumonia
Bronchiolitis
Pertussis
<b>Cardiovascular</b>
Structural disease
Dysrhythmia
<b>Gastrointestinal</b>
Gastroesophageal reflux
<b>Miscellaneous</b>
Sepsis
Meningitis
Munchausen syndrome by proxy

## Delirium, Coma and Confusion

**Chief Complaint:** Confusion.

**History of Present Illness:** Level of consciousness, obtundation (awake but not alert), stupor (unconscious but awake with visible stimulation), coma (cannot be awakened). Confusion, impaired concentration, agitation. Fever, headache. Activity and symptoms prior to onset.

**Past Medical History:** Suicide attempt or depression, epilepsy (postictal state).

**Medications:** Insulin, narcotics, drugs, anti-cholinergics.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Incoherent speech, lethargy, somnolence. Dehydration, septic appearance. Note whether patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypertensive encephalopathy), pulse, temperature (fever), respiratory rate.

**Skin:** Cyanosis, jaundice, delayed capillary refill, petechiae, splinter hemorrhages; infections, tefatopathy (diabetes).

**Head:** Skull tenderness, lacerations, ptosis, facial weakness. Battle's sign (ecchymosis over mastoid process), raccoon sign (peri orbital ecchymosis, skull fracture), hemotympanum (basal skull fracture).

**Eyes:** Pupil size and reactivity, extraocular movements, papilledema.

**Mouth:** Tongue or cheek lacerations, atrophy, tongue, glossitis (B12 deficiency).

**Neck:** Neck rigidity, masses.

**Chest:** Breathing pattern (Cheyne-Stokes respiration), crackles, wheezes.

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs, gallops.

**Abdomen:** Hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, masses.

**Neuro:** Strength, cranial nerves 2-12, mini-mental status exam; orientation to person, place, time, recent events; Babinski's sign, paresis, reflexes (snout,)

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**LaboratoryE valuation:**Gl ucose,el ectrolytes,B UN,creati nine,O <sub>2</sub>saturation, liverfuncti ontests.C T/MRI,uri netox icologyscreen.

**DifferentialDiag nosiso f**  
**Delir ium:**H ypoxia,m eningitis,encephal itis,sy stemic infection, el ectrolyte imbalance, hy perglycemia, hy poglycemia (i nsulin overdose), drug i ntoxication, strok e, i ntracranial hem orrhage, sei zure; dehydration, head traum a, urem ia, vi tamin B 12 defi ciency, ketoacidosis, factitiouscom a.

# ***Renal and Endocrinologic Disorders***

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## **Polyuria, Enuresis and Urinary Frequency**

**Chief Complaint:** Excessive urination.

**History of Present Illness:** Time of onset of excessive urination. Constant daytime thirst or waking at night to drink. Poor urine stream, persistent dribbling of urine; straining to urinate. Excessive fluid intake, dysuria, recurrent urinary tract infections; urgency, daytime and nightime enuresis, fever. Gastric disturbances, history of lumbar puncture, spinal cord injury. Lower extremity weakness; back pain, leg pain. Use of harsh soaps for bathing. Feeding schedule, overfeeding, growth pattern, dehydration. Vomiting, constipation. Abdominal and perineal pain, constipation, encopresis.

**Past Medical History:** Urinary tract infections, diabetes, renal disease.

**Social History:** History of foreigner body insertion or sexual abuse.

**Family History:** Family history of members with polyuria; early infant deaths, infants with poor growth or dehydration; genitourinary disorders. Parental age often late.

### **Physical Examination**

**General Appearance:** Signs of dehydration, septi cappearance.

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypertension), pulse (tachycardia), temperature, respirations. Growth percentiles, growth failure.

**Chest:** Breath sounds.

**Heart:** Murmurs, thrill, heart sounds.

**Abdomen:** Assess palpable bladder. Perineal examination; lumbosacral midline defects, sacral hairy patch, sacral hyperpigmentation, sacral dimples or sinus tract, hemangiomas.

**Rectal Examination:** Rectal sphincter laxity, anal reflex (sacral nerve function).

**Extremities:** Asymmetric gluteal cleft, gluteal lipoma, gluteal wasting.

**Neurologic Examination:** Deep tendon reflexes, muscle strength, gait, legs and feet. Peripheral sensation, gait disturbance.

### **Water Diuresis**

Primary polydipsia

Diabetes insipidus

Obstruction by posterior urethral valves, uteropelvic junction obstruction, ectopic ureter, nephrolithiasis

Renal infarction/secondary to sickle-cell disease

Chronic pyelonephritis

**Solute Diuresis:** Glucose, urea, mannitol, sodium chloride, mineralocorticoid deficiency, hypoglycemia, alkalosis, natriuresis

## Differential Diagnosis of Hematuria and Urinary Frequency

Infection  
Uteropelvic junction obstruction  
Obstructive ectopic ureter  
Posteriorurethral valves  
Nephrolithiasis  
Diabetes mellitus

Diabetes insipidus  
Wilms tumor  
Neuroblastoma  
Pelvic tumors  
Fecal impaction

## Hematuria

**Chief Complaint:** Bloody urine.

**History of Present Illness:** Colorful urine, duration unknown. Frequency, dysuria, suprapubic pain, flank pain (renal colic), abdominal or perineal pain, fever, menstruation.

Foley catheterization, stone passage, tissue passage of urine, bloody stool. Strenuous exercise, dehydration, recent trauma. Rash, arthritis (systemic lupus erythematosus, Henoch-Schönlein purpura). Bloody diarrhea (hemolytic-uremic syndrome), hepatitis B or C exposure.

**Causes of Red Urine:** Pyridium, phenacetin, ibuprofen, cascara sagrada, rifampin, berries, raw beans, food coloring, rhubarb, beets, hemoglobinuria, myoglobinuria.

**Past Medical History:** Recent sore throat (group A streptococcus), streptococcal skin infection (glomerulonephritis). Recent or recurrent upper respiratory illness (adenovirus).

**Medications Associated with Hematuria:** Warfarin, aspirin, ibuprofen, naproxen, phenobarbital, phenacetin, cyclophosphamide.

**Perinatal History:** Birth asphyxia, umbilical catheterization.

**Family History:** Hematuria, renal disease, sickle cell anemia, bleeding disorders, hemophilia, deafness (Alport's syndrome), hypertension.

**Social History:** Occupational exposure to toxins.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Signs of dehydration. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital Signs:** Hypertension (acute renal failure, acute glomerulonephritis), fever, respiratory rate, pulse.

**Skin:** Pallor, malar rash, discoid rash (systemic lupus erythematosus); ecchymoses, petechiae (Henoch-Schönlein purpura).

**Face:** Periorbital edema (nephritis, nephrotic syndrome).

**Eyes:** Lens dislocation, dot-and-flack retinopathy (Alport's syndrome).

**Throat:** Pharyngitis.

**Chest:** Breathing sounds.

**Heart:** Rhythm, murmurs, gallops.

**Abdomen:** Masses, nephromegaly (Wilms' tumor or polycystic kidney disease, hydronephrosis), abdominal bruises, suprapubic tenderness.

**Back:** Costovertebral angle tenderness (renal calculus, pyelonephritis).

**Genitourinary:** Discharge, foreign body, trauma, aural stenosis.

**Extremities:** Peripheral edema (nephrotic syndrome), joint swelling, joint tenderness (rheumatoid fever), unequal peripheral pulses (aortic coarctation).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Urinalysis with microscopy, urine culture; creatinine,

BUN, C BC; simple urine screen; urine calcium-to-creatinine ratio, I NR/PTT. Urinalysis of first-degree relatives (Alport's syndrome or benign familial hematuria), renal ultrasound, excretory urography.

**Specific Laboratory Evaluation:** Complement levels, anti-streptolysin-O and anti-DNAse B (poststreptococcal glomerulonephritis), antinuclear antibody, audiogram (Alport's syndrome), anti-glomerular basement membrane antibodies (Goodpasture's syndrome), anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic antibodies, purified protein derivative (PPD).

**Advanced Laboratory Evaluation:** Voiding cystourethrogram, intravenous pyelography, CT scan, MRI scan, renal scan, renal biopsy.

## Differential Diagnosis of Microscopic Hematuria

### Glomerular Diseases

Benign familial hematuria (thin basement membrane nephropathy)	Membranoproliferative glomerulonephritis
Acute post-infectious glomerulonephritis	Systemic lupus erythematosus
Hemolytic-uremic syndrome	Henoch-Schönlein purpura
IgA nephropathy (Berger's disease)	Polyarteritis nodosa
Alport's syndrome (familial nephritis)	Hepatitis-associated glomerulonephritis
Focal segmental glomerulonephritis	

### Nonglomerular Diseases

Strenuous exercise	Leukemia
Dehydration	Coagulopathy
Fever	Anatomical abnormalities
Menstruation	Hydronephrosis
Foreign body in urethra or bladder	Ureteropelvic junction obstruction
Urinary tract infection: bacterial, adenovirus, tuberculosis	Cystic kidney disease
Hypercalciuria	Polycystic kidney disease
Urolithiasis	Medullary cystic disease
Sickle cell trait/other hereditary hemoglobinopathies	Vascular abnormalities
Trauma	Arteriovenous fistula
Drugs and toxins	Renal vein thrombosis
Masturbation	Nutcracker syndrome
Tumors	Papillary necrosis
Wilms' tumor	Parenchymal infarction
Tuberculosis	Munchausen syndrome by proxy
Renal or bladder cancer	

## Proteinuria

**Chief Complaint:** Proteinuria.

**History of Present Illness:** Proteinuria of 1+(30 mg/dL) on urinalysis, no dipstick protein above 4 mg/m<sup>2</sup>/hour in initial 12- to 24-hour urine collection (significant proteinuria). Prior proteinuria, hypertension, edema, short stature, hearing deficits.

**Past Medical History:** Renal disease, heart disease, arthralgias.

**Medications:** Chemotherapy agents.

**Family History:** Renal disease, deafness.

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### Physical examination

**General appearance:** Signs of dehydration. Note whether patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vital signs:** Temperature (fever).

**Ears:** Dysmorphic pinnae.

**Skin:** Café-au-lait spots, hyperpigmented macules, rash.

**Extremities:** Joint tenderness, joint swelling.

**Laboratory evaluation:** Urinalysis for proteinuria (n/creatinine ratio). Recumbent and standing urinalyses. CBC, electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, total protein, albumin, cholesterol, anti-streptolysin-O titer (ASO), antinuclear antibody, complement levels. Renal ultrasound, voiding cystourethrogram.

### Functional/Transient (< 2+ on urine dipstick)

Fever

Strenuous exercise

Cold exposure

Congestive heart failure

Seizures

Emotional stress

### Isolated proteinuria

Orthostatic proteinuria (60% of cases)

Persistent asymptomatic proteinuria

### Glomerular Disease

Minimal change nephropathy syndrome

Glomerulonephritis

Postinfectious

Membranoproliferative

Membranous

IgA nephropathy

Henoch-Schönlein purpura

Systemic lupus erythematosus

Hereditary nephritis

### Tubulointerstitial Disease

Reflux nephropathy

Lowes syndrome

Interstitial nephritis

Tubular toxins

Hypokalemic nephropathy

Drugs (eg, amiodarone, inotropes, and penicillins)

Cystinosis

Heavy metals

Fanconi's syndrome

Ischemic tubular injury

Tyrosinemia

# SwellingandEdema

**Chief Complaint:** Swollenank les.

**History of Present Illness:** Duration of edem a; distribution (localized or generalized); intermittent or persistent swelling, pain, redness. Renal disease; shortness of breath, malnutrition, chronic diarrhea (protein losing enteropathy), allergies. Periorbital edema, ankle edema, weight gain.

Poor exercise tolerance, fatigue, inability to keep up with other children. Poor feeding, fussiness, restlessness. Bloody urine (smoky or red), decreased urine output, jaundice. Proteinuria (Kwashiorkor), dietary history.

**Past Medical History:** Menstrual cycle, sexual activity, previous menstrual bloating, pregnancy, rash.

**Medications:** Over-the-counter drugs, diuretics, oral contraceptives, anti-hypertensives, estrogen, lithium.

**Allergies:** Allergic reactions to foods (cow's milk).

**Family History:** Lupus erythematosus, cystic fibrosis, renal disease, Alport syndrome, hereditary angioedema, deafness.

**Social History:** Exposure to toxic substances, illicit drugs, alcohol, chemicals.

## Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress, pallor. Note whether the patient looks "ill" or well.

**Vitals:** Blood pressure (hypotension), pulse (tachycardia), temperature, respiratory rate (tachypnea). Growth percentiles, weight gain. Decreased urine output.

**Skin:** Xanthomata, spider angiomas, cyanosis. Rash, insect bites, puncta, erythema.

**HEENT:** Periorbital edema. Conjunctival injection, scleral icterus, nasal polyps, sinus tenderness, pharyngitis.

**Chest:** Breathing sounds, crackles, dullness to percussion.

**Heart:** Displacement of point of maximal impulse; shifting precordium, gallop, friction rub, murmur.

**Abdomen:** Distention, bruises, hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, shifting dullness.

**Extremities:** Pitting non-pitting edema (graded 1 to 4+), erythema, pulses, clubbing.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes, liver function tests, triglycerides, albumin, CBC, chest X-ray, urine protein.

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### Differential Diagnosis of E dema

**Increased Hydrostatic Pressure**  
Congestive heart failure  
Pericarditis  
Superior venacavasyn syndrome  
Arteriovenous fistula  
Venous thrombosis  
Lymphatic obstruction syndrome  
Syndrome of inappropriate ADH secretion  
Steroids  
Excessive fat loading in admistration

**Increased Capillary Permeability**  
Rocky Mountain spotted fever  
Stevens-Johnson syndrome

**Decreased oncotic Pressure (Hypoalbuminemia)**  
Nephrotic syndrome  
Liver disease (alpha 1-antitrypsin deficiency, infectious hepatitis)  
Cirrhosis  
Galactosemia  
Kwashiorkor  
Marasmus  
Cystic fibrosis  
Inflammatory bowel disease  
Protein-losing enteropathy (cow's milk allergy)  
Intestinal lymphangiectasia  
Celiac disease  
Bezoar  
Infection (Giardiasis)  
Pancreatic pseudocyst  
Severe anemia  
Zinc deficiency

## Diabetic Ketoacidosis

**Chief Complaint:** Malaise.

**History of Present Illness:** Initial glucose level, ketones, and oxygen saturation of polyuria, polyphagia, polydipsia, lethargy, dyspnea, weight loss; noncompliance with insulin; blurred vision, infection, dehydration, abdominal pain (appendicitis). Cough, fever, chills, ear pain (otitis media), dysuria (urinary tract infection).

**Factors that May Precipitate Diabetic Ketoacidosis:** New onset of diabetes, noncompliance with insulin, infection, pancreatitis, myocardial infarction, stress, trauma, pregnancy.

**Past Medical History:** Age of onset of diabetes; renal disease, infections, hospitalization.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Somnolence, Kussmaul respirations (deep sighing breathing), dehydration. Note the characteristic looks "toxic owl eyes".

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypotension), pulse (tachycardia), temperature (fever, hypothermia), respiratory rate (tachypnea).

**Skin:** Decreased skin turgor, delayed capillary refill, intertriginous candidiasis, erythema, localized fat atrophy (insulin injections).

**Eyes:** Diabetic retinopathy (neovascularization, hemorrhages), decreased visual acuity.

**Mouth:** A acetone breath odor (musty, apple odor), dry mucous membranes (dehydration).

**Ears:** Tympanic membrane erythema (otitis media).

**Chest:** Rales, rhonchi (pneumonia).

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Hypoactive bowel sounds (ileus), right lower quadrant tenderness

(appendicitis), suprapubic tenderness (cystitis), costovertebral angle tenderness (pyelonephritis).

**Extremities:** Abscesses, cellulitis.

**Neurologic:** Confusion, hyporeflexia.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Glucose, sodium, potassium, bicarbonate, chloride, BUN, creatinine, anion gap, phosphate, CBC, serum ketones; UA (proteinuria, ketones). Chest x-ray.

**Differential Diagnosis**

**Ketosis-causing Conditions:** Alcohol ketoacidosis or starvation.

**Acidosis-causing Conditions**

**Increased Anion Gap Acidoses:** Lactic acidosis, uremia, salicylate or methanol poisoning.

**Non-Anion Gap Acidoses:** Diarrhea, renal tubular acidosis.

**Diagnostic Criteria for DKA:** Glucose ≥ 250, pH < 7.3, bicarbonate < 15, ketone positive > 1:2 dilutions.

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# **Dermatologic, Hematologic and Rheumatologic Disorders**

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## **Rash**

**Chief Complaint:** Rash.

**History of Present Illness:** Time of rash onset, location, pattern of spread (chest to extremities). Location where the rash first appeared; what it resembled; what symptoms were associated with it; what treatments have been tried. Fever, malaise, headache, conjunctivitis, cough. Exposure to persons with rash, prior history of chickenpox. Sore throat, joint pain, abdominal pain. Exposure to allergens or irritants. Sun exposure, cold, psychologic stress.

**Past Medical History:** Prior illnesses, asthma, allergic rhinitis, urticaria, eczema, diabetes, hospitalizations, surgery.

**Medications:** Prescription and nonprescription, drug reactions.

**Family History:** Similar problems among family members.

**Immunizations:** Vaccination status, measles, mumps, rubella.

**Social History:** Drugs, alcohol, home situation.

### **Physical Examination**

**General Appearance:** Respiratory distress, toxic appearance.

**Vital Signs:** Temperature, pulse, blood pressure, respirations.

**Skin:** Complete skin examination, includingثناء sandm ucosm embranes. Color/surface changes, texture changes, warmth. Distribution of skin lesions (face, trunk, extremities), shape of the lesions, arrangement of several lesions (annular, serpiginous, dermatomal); color of the lesions, domiananthue and the color pattern, surface characteristics (scaly, verrucous), erythema, papules, induration, flat, macules, vesicles, ulceration, margin character, lichenification, excoriations, crusting.

**Eyes:** Conjunctival erythema.

**Ears:** Tympanic membranes.

**Mouth:** Soft palate, macules; buccal mucosal lesions.

**Throat:** Pharyngeal erythema.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical, axillary, inguinal lymphadenopathy.

**Chest:** Honchi, crackles, wheezing.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness, masses, hepatosplenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Rash on hands, feet, palms, soles; joints swelling, joint tenderness.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Varicella, rubella, measles, scarlet fever, eczema, dermatitis, Rocky Mountain spotted fever, drug eruption, Kawasaki's disease.

**Laboratory Diagnosis:** Viral isolation or antigen detection (blood, nasopharynx, conjunctiva, urine). A cutaneous and constitutional disorders.

## BruisingandBleeding

**ChiefCo mplaint:** B rusing

**HistoryofP resentIllness:** Time of onset of bruising; trauma, spontaneous ecchymoses, petechiae; bleeding gums, bleeding into joints, epistaxis, hematemesis, melena. Bone pain, joint pain, abdominal pain. Is there bleeding lifelong or of recent onset? Hematuria, extensive bleeding with trauma. Weight loss, fever, palpitations, recurrent infections.

**PastM edicalH istory:** Oozing from the umbilical stump after birth, bleeding at injections sites. Prolonged bleeding after minor surgery (circumcision) or after loss of primary teeth.

**Family H istory:** Bleeding disorders, anticoagulant use, availability of rodenticides or anti-platelet drugs (eg, aspirin, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatories) in the home. Child abuse.

**SocialH istory:** History of child abuse, family stress.

### PhysicalE xamination

**GeneralA ppearance:** Ill-appearance.

**Vital S i gns:** Tachypnea, tachycardia, fever, blood pressure (or thostatic changes), cachexia.

**Skin:** Appearance and distribution of petechiae (color, size, shape, diffuse, symmetrical), ecchymotic patterns (eg, belt buckle shape, double-over phone cord); folliculitis (neutropenia). Hyperextensible skin (Ehlers-Danlos syndrome). Partial alopecia (Hermansky-Pudlak syndrome). Palpable purpura on legs (vasculitis, Henoch-Schönlein purpura).

**LymphN odes:** Cervical or axillary lymphadenopathy

**Eyes:** Conjunctival pallor, erythema.

**Nose:** Epistaxis, nasal eschar.

**Mouth:** Gingivitis, mucous membrane bleeding, oozing from gums, oral petechiae.

**Chest:** Wheezing, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, nephromegaly.

**Rectal:** Stool occult blood.

**Extremities:** Muscle hematomas; anomalies of the radius and ulna (thrombocytopenia-absent radii syndrome [TAR] syndrome). Bone tenderness, joint tenderness, hemarthroses; hypermobile joints (Ehlers-Danlos syndrome).

**PastTesting:** X-ray studies, endoscopy.

## Differential Diagnosis of Bruising and Leeding

Hemolyticurem icsyndrom e  
 Thromboticthrom bocytopenicpurpura  
 Uremia  
 Paraproteinemia  
 Myelodysplasticsyndrom e  
 Phenytoin, val proicaci d, qui nidine, heparin  
 Afibrinogenemia/dysfibrinogenemia  
 Clottingf actord eficiencies( hemophilia A,B ,C hristmasdi sease)  
 VonW illebranddi sease  
 VitaminK defi ciency  
 Hemorrhagicdi seaseofthenew born  
 Trauma  
 Vasculitis  
 Giantcel I(tem poral)arteri tis

Takayasuar teritis  
 Polyarteritisnodoso  
 Kawasaki syndrome  
 Henoch-Schönleinpurpura  
 Leukocytoclastic("hypersensitivity") vasculitis  
 Wegenergranul omatosis  
 Churg-Strausssyndrom e  
 Essentialcryoglobulinemia  
 Systemic lupuserythem atosus  
 Juvenileheum atoidarthriti s  
 Mixedconnecti viti ssuedi sease  
 Dermatomyositis,scl eroderma  
 Bacterialorv i rali nfection,spirochetal infection,rickettsialin fection  
 Malignancy

## Kawasaki Disease

**Chief Complaint:** Fever.

**History of Present Illness:** Feverofunk nowncause,l asting5day sorm ore; irritability, chest pain. Eye redness. Redness, dry ness or fissuring of lips, strawberrytongue. Diarrhea, vomiting, abdominal pain, arthriti s/arthalgias. Absenceofcough,rhorrhea,vom iting.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Illappearance,i rritable.

**Vital Signs:** Pulse (tachycardia), bloodpressure(hypotension), respi rations, temperature(fever).

**Skin:** Diffusepol ymorphousrash(m acules,bul lae, erythematous exanthem) of their unk; m orbilliformo rscas rlatiniformr ash.

**Eyes:** Bilateralconjunctivalcongesti on(dilatedbl oodvessel sw ithoutpurulent discharge),ery thema,conjunctivalsuffusion,uveitis.

**Mouth:** Erythemaof lips,fi ssuresof lips;swollen, erythematous tongue. Diffuse injectionoforal andphary ngealm ucosa.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervicall ymphadenopathy.

**Chest:** Breathsounds.

**Heart:** Murmur,gallophy thm,di stantheartsounds.

**Abdomen:** Tenderness,hepatomegaly,splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Edema,ery themaofthehandsandfeet;w arm,red,swollen hands andfeet.Joint swelling, joint tenderness. Desquamationofthefingersortoes, usuallyaroundnailsandspreadi ngoverpal msandsol es(l ate).

**Laboratory Evaluation:** CBCwith differential,plateletcount,electrolytes, liver function tests, ESR, CRP, throat culture, anti streptolysin-O titer, blood cultures.

**Urinalysis:** Proteinuria,increaseof leukocytes in urine sediment (sterileuria)

**ECG:** Prolonged PR, QT intervals, abnormal Q wave, low voltage, ST-T changes, arrhythmias.

**CXR:** Cardiomegaly

**Echocardiography:** Pericardial effusion, coronary aneurysm, myocardial

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infarction.

**Differential Diagnosis:** Scarlet fever (no hand, foot, or conjunctival involvement), Stevens-Johnson syndrome (mouth sores, cutaneous bullae, crusts), measles (rash occurs after fever peaks and begins on head/scalp), toxic shock syndrome, viral rash syndrome, drug reaction.

# **Behavioral Disorders and Trauma**

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## **Failureto T hrive**

**Chief Complaint:** Inadequate growth.

**History of Present Illness:** Weight loss, change in appetite, vomiting, abdominal pain, diarrhea, fever. Note: the parents became concerned about the problem, previous hospitalizations. Polyuria, polydipsia; jaundice; cough.

**Nutritional History:** Appropriate caloric intake, 24-hour diet recall; dietary calendar; types and amounts offered. Proper meal preparation. Parental dietary restrictions (lowfat).

**Past Medical History:** Excessive crying, feeding problems. Poor sucking and swallowing, fatigue during feeding. Unexplained injuries.

**Developmental History:** Developmental delay, loss of developmental milestones.

**Perinatal History:** Delayed intrauterine growth, maternal illness, medications or drugs (tobacco, alcohol). Birth weight, perinatal jaundice, feeding difficulties.

**Family History:** Short stature, parental heights and the ages at which the parents achieved puberty. Siblings with poor growth. Deaths in siblings or relatives during childhood (metabolic or immunological disorders).

**Social History:** Parental HIV-risk behavior (bisexual exposure, intravenous drug abuse, blood transfusions). Parental histories of neglect or abuse in childhood; current stress within the family, financial difficulties, marital discord.

### **Historical Findings in Failureto T hrive**

Poor Caloric Intake  
Breast-feeding management  
Lactation failure  
Improper meal preparation  
Maternal stress, poor diet, illness  
Eating disorders  
Aberrant parental nutritional beliefs  
Food faddism  
Diaphoresis, fatigue, hiccups  
Poorsucking, swallow  
Vomiting, hyperkinetic  
Bilious vomiting  
Recurrent pneumonia, steatorrhea

Diarrhea, dysentery, fever  
Inflammatory bowel disease  
Radiation, chemotherapy  
Hypoglycemia, anorexia  
Recurrent infections  
Rash, arthritis, weakness  
Jaundice  
Polyuria, polydipsia, polyphagia  
Irritability, constipation  
Mental retardation, swallowing difficulties  
Intrauterine growth delay

### **Physical Examination**

**General Appearance:** cachexia, dehydration. Note: the patient looks "ill," well, or malnourished. Observation of parent-child interaction; affection, warmth. Passive or withdrawn behavior. Decreased vocalization, expressionless faces; increased hand and finger activities (thumb sucking), infantile posture; motor inactivity (congenitalencephalopathy or rubella).

**Developmental Examination:** Delayed abilities for age on developmental screening test.

**Vital Signs:** Pulse (bradycardia), BP, respiratory rate, temperature (hypothermia).

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mia). Weight, length, and head circumference; short stature, growth percentiles.

**Skin:** Pallor, jaundice, skin laxity, rash.

**Lymph Nodes:** Cervical or supraclavicular lymphadenopathy.

**Head:** Temporal wasting, congenital malformations.

**Eyes:** Cataracts (rubella), conjunctivitis.

**Mouth:** Dental erosions, oropharyngeal lesions, cheilosis (cobalamin deficiency), glossitis (pellagra).

**Neck:** Thyromegaly.

**Chest:** Barrel-shaped chest, rhonchi.

**Heart:** Displaced point of maximal impulse, patent ductus arteriosus murmur, aortic stenosis murmur.

**Abdomen:** Protuberant abdomen, decreased bowel sounds (malabsorption, obstructive enteropathy), tenderness. Perumbilical adenopathy. Malasses (pyloric stenosis or obstructive uropathy), hepatomegaly (galactosemia), splenomegaly.

**Extremities:** Edema, muscle wasting.

**Neuro:** Decreased peripheral sensation.

**Rectal:** Occult blood, malasses.

**Genitalia:** Hypospadias (obstructive uropathy).

### Physical examination findings in Growth Deficiency

Micrognathia, clubfoot, hypoplastic hands	Short stature
Poorsuck swallow	Cachexia, malnutrition
Hyperkinesia	Rash, joint erythema, tenderness, weakness
Bulging fontanelle, palpable edema	Jaundice, hepatomegaly
Nystagmus, ataxia	Ambiguous genitalia, masculinization
Abdominal distension	Irritability
Fever	
Clubbing	
Perianal skin tags	

**Laboratory evaluation:** Complete blood count, electrolytes, protein, albumin, transferrin, thyroid studies, liver function tests.

### Poor caloric intake

Breast-feeding management
Lactation failure
Maternal stress, poverty, illness
Eating disorders (anorexia nervosa)
Aberrant parental nutritional beliefs
Food faddism
Inappropriate meal preparation
Micrognathia, clubfoot, clubhand
Cardiopulmonary disease
Hypotonia, CNS disease
Diencephalic syndrome

**PoorCaloricRetention**

Increased intracranial pressure  
 Labyrinthine disorders  
 Esophageal obstruction, gastroesophageal reflux, pre- and post-laryngeal obstruction  
 Intestinal obstruction, volvulus, Hirschsprung disease  
 Metabolic disorders

**PoorCaloricDigestion/Absorption**

Cystic fibrosis  
 Shwachman-Diamond syndrome  
 Fat malabsorption  
 Enteric infections  
 Infection  
 Inflammatory bowel disease  
 Cancer treatment  
 Gluten-sensitive enteropathy  
 Carbohydrate malabsorption  
 Intestinal lymphangiectasia  
 Zinc deficiency

**IncreasedCaloricDemands**

Chronic infection  
 HIV infection  
 Malignancies  
 Autoimmune disorders  
 Chronic renal disease  
 Chronic liver disease  
 Diabetes mellitus  
 Adrenal hyperplasia  
 Hypercalcemia  
 Hypothyroidism  
 Metabolic errors

**Miscellaneous**

CNS impairment  
 Prenatal growth failure  
 Short stature  
 Lagging-down  
 Normal thickness

## Developmental Delay

### Chief Complaint: Developmental delay

**Developmental History:** A few weeks ago, parents first became concerned about delayed development. Rate and pattern of acquisition of skills; developmental regressions. Parents' description of each child's current skills. How does he move around? How does he use his hands? How does he eat now? What hat does he want? What does he understand? How does he say? What can you tell him to do? What does he like to play with? How does he play with toys? How does he interact with other children?

Behavior near infancy (quality of alertness, responsiveness, energy). Developmental quotient (DQ): Developmental age divided by chronological age x 100. Vision and hearing deficits.

**Perinatal History:** In utero exposure to teratogens, maternal illness or trauma during pregnancy. Quality of fetal movement, poor fetal weight gain (placental dysfunction). Apgar scores, neonatal seizures, poor feeding, poor muscle tone at birth. Growth parameters at birth, head circumference.

**Past Medical History:** Illnesses, poor feeding, vomiting, failure to thrive. Weak sucking and swallowing, excessive drooling.

**Medications:** Anticonvulsants, stimulants.

**Family History:** Illnesses, hearing impairment, mental retardation, mental illness, language problems, learning disabilities, dyslexia, consanguinity.

**Social History:** Home situation, toxic exposure, lead exposure.

### Physical Examination

**Observation:** Facial expressions, eye contact, social interaction with caretakers and examiner. Chronically ill, wasted, malnourished appearance, lethargic/fatigued.

**Vital Signs:** Respirations, pulse, blood pressure, temperature. Height, weight, head circumference, growth percentiles.

**Skin:** Café au lait spots, hyperpigmented macules (neurofibromatosis), hemangiomas, telangiectasias, axillary freckling. Cyanosis, jaundice, pallor, skin turgor.

**Head:** Frontal bossing, low anterior hairline; head size, shape, circumference, microcephaly, macrocephaly, asymmetry, cephalohematoma, short palpebral fissure, flattened mid-face (fetal alcohol syndrome), chin shape (prominent or small).

**Eyes:** Size, shape, and distance between eyes (small pupil size, strabismus, hypotelorism, hypertelorism, upslanting eyelids, epicanthal folds). Retinopathy, cataracts, corneal clouding, visual acuity. Lens dislocation, corneal clouding, strabismus.

**Ears:** Size and placement of external ear (low-set, posteriorly rotated, cupped, small, prominent). Tympanic membranes, hearing.

**Nose:** Broad nasal bridge, short nose, anteverted nares.

**Mouth:** Hypoplastic philtrum. Lip thinness, downturned corners, fissures, teeth (caries, discoloration), mucous membranes color and moisture.

**Lymph Nodes:** Location, size, tenderness, mobility, consistency.

**Neck:** Position, mobility, swelling, thyroid nodules.

**Lungs:** Breathing rate, depth, chest expansion, crackles.

**Heart:** Location and intensity of apical impulse, murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Contour, bowel sounds, tenderness, tympany; hepatomegaly, splenomegaly, masses.

**Genitalia:** Ambiguous genitalia (hydrogenadism).

**Extremities:** Posture, gait, stance, asymmetry of movement. Edema, clinodactyly, syndactyly, nail deformities, palmaroplantar pits, increase.

**Neurological Examination:** Behavior, level of consciousness, intelligence, emotional status. Equilibrium reactions (slowly tilting and observing for compensatory movement). Protective reactions (displacing to thesis and observing for arm flexion by 7 to 8 months).

**Motor System:** Gait, muscle tone, muscle strength (graded 0 to 5), deep tendon reflexes.

**Primitive Reflexes:** Palmar grasp, Moro, asymmetric tonic neck reflexes.

**Signs of Cerebral Palsy:** Fisting with adducted thumbs, hyperextension and scissoring of the lower extremities, trunk arching. Poor sucking-swallowing, excessive drooling.

**Diagnostic Studies:** Karyotype for fragile X syndrome, fluorescent in situ hybridization(FISH), DNA probes. Magnetic resonance imaging(MRI) or CT scan.

**Metabolic Studies:** Amonia level, liver function tests, electrolytes, total CO<sub>2</sub>, venous blood gas level. Screening for amino acid and organic acid assays, mucopolysaccharide assay, enzyme deficiency assay.

**Other Studies:** Audiometry, free thyroxine(T4), thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH), blood lead levels, electromyography, nerve conduction velocities, muscle biopsy.

## Differential Diagnosis of Developmental Delay

### Static Intellectual Delay/Mental Retardation

- Idiopathic mental retardation
- Chromosomal abnormalities: Down syndrome
- Hypoxic-ischemic encephalopathy
- Structural brain malformation
- Prenatal exposure to teratogens
- Congenital infection

### Progressive Global Delay

- Inborn errors of metabolism
- Neurodegenerative disorders
- Rett syndrome
- AIDS-associated encephalopathy
- Congenital hypothyroidism

### Language Disorders

- Hearing impairment
- Language processing delay, expressive language disorders
- Pervasive developmental disorders

### Gross Motor Delay

- Cerebral palsy
- Peripheral neuropathy

### Syndromes Associated with Developmental Delay

- Down syndrome
- Fragile X syndrome
- Prader-Willi syndrome
- Turner syndrome
- Williams syndrome
- Noonan syndrome
- Sotos syndrome
- Klinefelter syndrome
- Angelman syndrome
- Cornelia de Lange syndrome
- Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome

## Psychiatric History

I. **Identifying Information:** Age, gender.

II. **Chief Complaint:** Reason for referral.

### A. History of the Present Illness(HPI)

- (1) **Developmental Level:** Cognitive, affective, interpersonal development.
- (2) **Neurodevelopmental Delay:** Cerebral palsy, mental retardation,

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- congenitalneurol ogicdi sorders.
- (3) **Organic Dysfunction:** Problems with perception, coordination, attention, learning, emotions, impulse control.
- (4) **Thought Disorders:** Delusions, hallucinations, disorganized speech, grossly disorganized or catatonic behavior, negative symptoms (e.g., affective flattening, paucity of thought or speech).
- (5) **Anxiety and Behavioral Symptoms:** Phobias, obsessions, compulsive behaviors, depression.
- (6) **Temperamental Difficulties:** Adaptability, acceptability, demandingness.
- (7) **Psychophysiological Disorders:** Psychosomatic illnesses, conversion disorders.
- (8) **Unfavorable Environment:** Family or school problems.
- (9) **Causative Factors**
- Genetic Disorders:** Dyslexia, attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, mental retardation, autism.
  - Organic Disorders:** Malnutrition, intrauterine drug exposure, prematurity, head injury, central nervous system infections/tumors, metabolic conditions, toxic substances.
  - Developmental Delay:** Immaturity and attachment problems. Relationships with parents and siblings; developmental milestones, peer relationships, school performance.
  - Inadequate Parenting:** Deprivation, separation, abuse, psychiatric disorders.
  - Stress Factors:** Illness, injury, surgery, hospitalizations, school failure, poverty.
  - Biological Function:** Appetite, sleep, bladder and bowel control, growth delay.
  - Relationships:** Family and peer problems.
  - Significant Life Events:** Separation and losses.
  - Previous Evaluations:** Previous psychiatric and neurological problems and assessments.
  - Parental Psychiatric Status:** Status of each parent and their marriage. Relatives with psychiatric disorders, suicide, alcohol or substance abuse.

### III. Mental Status Examination

#### A. Physical Appearance

- Stature:** Age-appropriate appearance, precocity, head circumference.
- Dysmorphic Features:** Down syndrome, fragile X, fetal alcohol syndrome.
- Neurological Signs:** Weakness, cranial nerve palsies.
- Bruising:** Child abuse.
- Nutritional Status:** Obesity, malnutrition, eating disorders.
- Movements:** Tics, biting lips, hair pulling (e.g., Tourette's disorder, anxiety).
- Spells:** Momentary lapses of attention, staring, head nodding, eye blinking (e.g., epilepsy, hallucinations).
- Dress, Cleanliness, Hygiene:** Level of care and grooming.
- Mannerisms:** Thumbsucking, nail biting.

#### B. Separation: Excessive difficulty in separation.

#### C. Orientation

- (1) **Topper son:** Very verbal child speaks clearly now at age 3.
  - (2) **Toplace:** Young child speaks clearly now at age 3, but has language delay.
  - (3) **Total time:** A sense of time develops by age 8 or 9. Young child can tell time at age 5.
- D. Central Nervous System Function:** Soft signs (physical signs of neurological immaturity):
- (1) **Gross Motor Coordination Deficiency:** Impaired gait.
  - (2) **Fine Motor Coordination:** Copies a circle at age 2 to 3, crosses at age 3 to 4, squares at age 5, rhomboids at age 7.
    - a. **Laterality:** Right-hand dominance by age 5.
    - b. **Rhythmic Movements:** Hopscotch by age 7.
    - c. **Attention Span:** Distractibility, hyperactivity.
- E. Reading and Writing Difficulties:** Dyslexia, dysgraphia.
- F. Speech and Language Difficulties:** Autism, mental retardation, deprivation, regression.
- G. Intelligence:** Vocabulary, level of comprehension, ability to identify body parts by age 5, drawing inability, mathematical ability.
- H. Memory:** Children can count from 1 to 10, but forget details.
- I. Thinking Process:** Logical and coherent thoughts, hallucinations, suicidal ideation, homicidal ideation, phobias, obsessions, delusions.
- J. Fantasies and Internal Conflicts:** Dreams, naming three wishes, drawing, spontaneous play.
- K. Affect:** Anxiety, anger, depression, apathy.
- L. Defense Organization:** Denial, projection, introversion, extroversion.
- M. Judgment and Insight:** How he feels about the problem? How upset is he?
- N. Adaptive Capacities:** Problem-solving ability, resilience.

## Attempted Suicide and Drug Overdose

**History of Present Illness:** Time suicide was attempted and method. Quantity of pills; motive for attempt. Alcohol intake; whether substance obtained. Precipitating factor for suicide attempt (death, divorce, humiliating event); further desire to commit suicide. Is there a definite plan? Was the action impulsive or planned?

Feelings of sadness, guilt, hopelessness, helplessness. Reasons that the patient has to live to go on living. Did the patient believe that he would succeed in suicide? Is the patient upset that he is still alive?

**Past Psychiatric History:** Previous suicide attempts, threats.

**Medications:** Antidepressants.

**Family History:** Depression, suicide, psychiatric disease, marital conflict, family support.

**Social History:** Personal or family history of emotional, physical, or sexual abuse; alcohol or drug abuse, sources of emotional stress. Availability of other dangerous medications or weapons.

### Physical Examination

**General Appearance:** Level of consciousness, delirium; presence of potentially dangerous objects (belts, shoes, axes).

**Vital Signs:** Blood pressure (hypotension), pulse (bradycardia), temperature, respiratory rate.

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rate.

**HEENT:** Signs of trauma, ecchymoses; pupil size and reactivity, mydriasis, nystagmus.

**Chest:** Abnormal respiratory patterns, rhonchi (aspiration).

**Heart:** Arrhythmias, murmurs.

**Abdomen:** Decreased bowel sounds, tenderness.

**Extremities:** Wounds, ecchymoses, fractures.

**Neurologic:** Mental status, coma; tremor, consciousness, hyperactive reflexes.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Electrolytes, BUN, creatinine, glucose. Alcohol, acetaminophen levels; chest X-ray, urinalysis, toxicology screen.

## Toxicological Emergencies

**History of Present Illness:** Substance ingested, time of ingestion, quantity ingested (number of pills/volume of liquid). Was this a suicide attempt or gesture? Vomiting, lethargy, seizures, altered consciousness.

**Past Medical History:** Previous poisonings; heart, lung, kidney, gastrointestinal, or central nervous system disease.

### Physical Examination

**Vital Signs:** Tachycardia (stimulants, anti-cholinergics), hypotension (narcotics, depressants), fever (anti-cholinergics, aspirin, stimulants).

**Skin:** Dry mucosa (anti-cholinergic); very moist skin (cholinergic or sympathomimetic).

#### Mouth:

**Breath:** Alcohol, hydrogen sulfide, anise odor.

**Eyes:** Miosis, mydriasis, nystagmus (phenothiazine, clidinium).

**Chest:** Breaths sounds.

**Cardiac:** Bradycardia (beta-blocker, cholinergic, calcium channel blocker).

**Abdomen:** Decreased bowel sounds (anti-cholinergics, narcotics).

**Neurological:** Gait, reflexes, mental status, stimulation, sedation.

**Laboratory Evaluation:** Glucose (liver failure, oral hypoglycemics, aspirin, beta-blockers, insulin, phenothiazines, lithium). Arterial blood gases. Liver function tests, BUN, toxicology screen of urine and serum. Methemoglobin test if blue. Ferrioxamine test for aspirin.

**Kidney, Ureter and Bladder (KUB) X-ray:** Radiopaque pills/fragments seen with calcium, chalk or heavy metals (lead), iron, phosphate binders, phenothiazines, enteric-coated pills.

**ECG:** Prolonged QT corrected interval (tricyclic antidepressants).

Toxin	Clinical Findings
Iron	Diarrhea, bloody stools, metabolic acidosis, hematemesis, abdominal pain, leukocytosis, hyperglycemia
Opioids	Coma, respiratory depression, miosis, track marks, bradycardia, decreased bowel sounds

Organophosphates	Miosis, cramps, salivation, urination, bronchospasm, lacrimation, defecation, bradycardia
Salicylates	Hyperventilation, fever, diaphoresis, tinnitus, hypothermia, perglycemia, hematemesis, altered mental status, metabolic acidosis, respiratory alkalosis
Phencyclidine (PCP)	Muscle twitching, rigidity, agitation, stupor, hypertension, tachycardia, psychosis, blank stare, myoglobinuria, increased creatinine phosphokinase
Tricyclic antidepressants	Dry mucosa, vasodilation, hypotension, seizures, ileus, altered mental status, pupillary dilation, arrhythmias, widened QRS
Theophylline	Nausea, vomiting, tachycardia, tremor, convulsions, metabolic acidosis, hypokalemia, ECG abnormalities
Adrenergic storm (cocaine, amphetamines, phenylpropanolamine)	Pupillary dilation, hyperthermia, agitation, diaphoresis, seizures, tremor, anxiety, tactile hallucinations, dysrhythmias, abdominal sounds, track marks, hypertension
Sedative/hypnotics	Respiratory depression, coma, hypothermia, disconjugate eye movements
Anticholinergics	Dry mucous membranes, tachycardia, fever, arrhythmias, urinary and fecal retention, mental status change, pupillary dilation, flushing

## Trauma

**History:** Allergies, Medications, Past medical history, Last meal, and Events leading up to the injury (AMPLE). Determine the mechanism of injury and details of the trauma.

### I. Primary Survey: ABCDEs

- A. **Airway:** Check for signs of obstruction (noisy breathing, inadequate air exchange). Normal speech indicates patent airway.
- B. **Breathing:** Observe chest excursion. Auscultate chest.
- C. **Circulation:** Heart rate, blood pressure, pulse pressure, level of consciousness, capillary refill.
- D. **Disability**
  - (1) **Level of Consciousness:** Alert, response to verbal stimuli, response to painful stimuli, unresponsive.

**(2) Neurological Deficit:** Four types of gross motor function, sensory deficits.

**E. Exposure:** Completely undressed patient.

## II. Secondary Survey

- A. Head:** Raccoon eyes, Battle's sign, laceration, hematoma, deformity, skull fracture.
- B. Face:** Laceration, deformity/asymmetry, bony tenderness.
- C. Eyes:** Visual acuity, pupil reactivity, exophthalmos, enophthalmos, hyphema, globe laceration, exotropia/ptosis, eyelid laceration.
- D. Ears:** Laceration, hemotympanum, cerebrospinal fluid leak, otitis media.
- E. Nose:** Laceration, nosebleed, septal hematoma, CSF rhinorrhea.
- F. Mouth:** Lip laceration, tongue laceration, gum laceration, loose oral bleeding, teeth, foreign body, jaw tenderness/deformity.
- G. Neck:** Laceration, hematoma, tracheal deviation, venous distention, carotid pulsation, cervical lymphadenopathy, tenderness/deformity, tracheal deviation, subcutaneous emphysema, bruising, stridor.
- H. Chest:** Symmetry, flail segments, laceration, rib fractures, avascular tenderness or deformity, subcutaneous emphysema, bilateral breath sounds, heart sounds.
- I. Abdomen:** Laceration, ecchymosis, scars, tenderness, distension, bowel sounds, peritoneal irritation, deformity, tenderness, femoral pulse.
- J. Rectal:** Sphincter tone, prostate position, occult blood.
- K. Genitourinary:** Mental blood, hematoma, laceration, tenderness, hematuria.
- L. Extremities:** Color, deformity, laceration, hematoma, temperature, pulses, bony tenderness, capillary refill.
- M. Back:** Ecchymosis, laceration, spine tenderness, range of motion.
- N. Neurological Examination:** Level of consciousness, pupillary reactivity, sensation, reflexes, Babinski sign.

## III. Radiographic Evaluation of the Patient

**A. Standard examinations**

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