



Review of Medical Terminology & Medical Abbreviations

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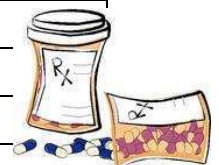
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Directions: Use our class notes (back of last page) and textbook to assist you in answering the following.

Medical Abbreviations

Fill in the missing medical abbreviation or definition in the table below.

| # | Medical Abbreviation | Definition |
|----|----------------------|---|
| 1 | abd | abdomen |
| 2 | All | allergies |
| 3 | Bid, tid, qid | twice, three times, or four times per day |
| 4 | BP | blood pressure |
| 5 | c | with |
| 6 | c/o | complains of |
| 7 | CC | chief complaint |
| 8 | Dx | diagnosis |
| 9 | Fx | fracture |
| 10 | h | or h, hour |
| 11 | HPI | history of present illness |
| 12 | HR | heart rate |
| 13 | Lab | laboratory, usually referring to results of tests |
| 14 | LUQ, LLQ | left upper or lower quadrant of abdomen |
| 15 | N/V | nausea and vomiting |
| 16 | O2 sat | oxygen saturation |
| 17 | p | after |
| 18 | PMHx | past medical history |
| 19 | Po | per mouth |
| 20 | prn | as needed |
| 21 | PSHx | past surgical history |
| 22 | Q | each |
| 23 | Qd, Qhs | each day, or each night |
| 24 | R or L | right or left |
| 25 | RR | respiratory rate |
| 26 | RUQ, RLQ | right upper or lower quadrant of abdomen |
| 27 | Rx | prescribe |
| 28 | s | without |
| 29 | Sig | give as follows |
| 30 | Sx | symptoms |
| 31 | T | temperature |
| 32 | VS | vital signs |



Medical Terminology

Provide the following medical prefixes, root words, suffixes, or definitions by filling in the table below.

| # | Prefix, Root Word, or Suffix | Definition |
|----|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | gastro- | stomach |
| 2 | ad- | toward |
| 3 | cephal-(o) | head |
| 4 | -algia | pain |
| 5 | cardi-(o) | heart |
| 6 | -penia | lack |
| 7 | hem-(o) | blood |
| 8 | dactyl-(o) | finger or toe |
| 9 | hypo- | below or less |
| 10 | poly- | many |
| 11 | -ectomy | surgical removal of |
| 12 | -itis | inflammation |
| 13 | inter- | between |
| 14 | gyn-(o) | woman or female |
| 15 | thrombo- | clot |
| 16 | hyper- | excessive (too much, too high) |
| 17 | nephro- | kidney |
| 18 | derm-(a) | skin |
| 19 | vaso- | vessel |
| 20 | intra- | within or inside |
| 21 | ost-(eo) | bone |
| 22 | tach- | fast or rapid |
| 23 | mal- | bad |
| 24 | my-(o) | muscle |
| 25 | patho | disease |
| 26 | -phobia | fear |
| 27 | neuro- | nerve |
| 28 | ab- | from or away |
| 29 | sub | under or below |
| 30 | psych-(o) | mind |

