

HEALTHEAST MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION
MEDICAL OPERATIONS MANUAL

Reference 1 Approved Abbreviations

#	pound
(L)	Left
(R)	Right
1°, 2°, 3°	first degree, second degree, third degree
2x, 3x	2 times, 3 times, etc.
AAA	abdominal aortic aneurysm
A & O x 3	alert and oriented to person, place, time
A-fib	atrial fibrillation
A-flut	atrial flutter
A-tach	atrial tachycardia
AB	abortion, miscarriage
ABCs	airway, breathing, and circulation
Abd.	Abdomen
ACS	Acute Coronary Syndrome
AED	automatic external defibrillator
AIDS	acquired immune deficiency syndrome
AMA	against medical advice
AMI	acute myocardial infarction
Amb	ambulance
amt.	Amount
ant.	Anterior
approx.	approximately
ASA	acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin)
ASAP	as soon as possible
ASHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease
ATV	all-terrain vehicle
AV	atrioventricular
BBB	bundle branch block
BI-PAP	Bi-level Positive Airway Pressure
Bicarb	Bicarbonate
bilat.	Bilateral
BM	bowel movement
BP	blood pressure
brady	bradycardia
BS	blood sugar, breath sounds
BSI	body substance isolation
BVM	bag-valve mask
C/A&O	Conscious, Alert, & Oriented
C-1, etc.	first cervical vertebrae
C/O	complaining of
Ca	Cancer
CHF	congestive heart failure
CHI	closed head injury
CMS	Circulation, movement, sensation
CNS	central nervous system
CO	carbon monoxide
c/o	complains of

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CO2	carbon dioxide
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPAP	Continuous positive airway pressure
CPR	cardiopulmonary resuscitation
CSF	cerebrospinal fluid
CVA	cerebrovascular accident (stroke)
D50W	50% dextrose in water
D5W	5% dextrose in water
D/C	Discontinue
DFAM	Drug Facilitated Airway Management
DNR	do not resuscitate
DOA	dead on arrival
DOB	date of birth
DTs	delirium tremens
Dx	Diagnosis
ECG	electrocardiogram
ED	emergency department
eg	for example
ENT	ear, nose and throat
ET	endotracheal tube
ETOH	ethyl alcohol
exp.	expiratory
extr.	extremity
FB	foreign body
FBAO	foreign body airway obstruction
Fx	Fracture
G	gravida
GCS	glasgow coma scale
GI	gastrointestinal
GSW	gunshot wound
gtt	drops
Gyn	Gynecology
h/o	history of
H&P	history & physical
HA	headache
HEENT	head, eyes, ears, nose and throat
Hep A	hepatitis A
Hep B	hepatitis B
Hep C	hepatitis C
HEMT	HealthEast Medical Transportation
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HPI	history of present illness/injury
HR	heart rate
HTN	Hypertension
Hx	History
IM	Intramuscular
ICD	implanted cardiac defibrillator
IM	intramuscular
IO	Intraosseous

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ITD	impedance threshold device
IV	Intravenous
JVD	jugular vein distention
L-1, etc.	first lumbar vertebrae
Lac	Laceration
LLQ	left lower quadrant
LMP	last menstrual period
LPM	liters per minute
LOC	loss/level of consciousness
LS	lung sounds
LUQ	left upper quadrant
MAE	moves all extremities
MCA	motorcycle accident
mcg	Microgram
MDI	metered dose inhaler
Meq	Milliequivalent
mg	Milligram
MI	myocardial infarction
Mid	Middle
mg	1 mg (no trailing 0) 0.1 mg
ml	Milliliter
mm	Millimeter
mod	Moderate
MgSO4	Do not use – write Magnesium Sulfate
MS/MSO4	Do not use- write Morphine Sulfate
MVC	motor vehicle crash
N & V	nausea and vomiting
NAD	no acute distress
NaHCO3	sodium bicarbonate
neg./-	Negative
NG	Nasogastric tube
NKA	no known allergies
NRB	non-rebreather mask
NS	normal saline
NSR	normal sinus rhythm
NTG	Nitroglycerin
O2	Oxygen
O2 sat	oxygen saturation
OB	obstetrical
occ.	occasional
OD	overdose
P	pulse
p.o.	by mouth, orally
p.r.n.	as needed
PAC	premature atrial contraction
palp.	palpated, palpation
PAT	paroxysmal atrial tachycardia
PE	physical exam, pulmonary embolism
ped.	pediatric

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PEEP	positive end expiratory pressure
PERRLA	pupils equal, round, react to light and accommodation
PG	pregnant, pregnancy
PID	pelvic inflammatory disease
PMH	past medical history
PNB	pulseless, not breathing
pos./+	Positive
post.	Posterior
PSVT	paroxysmal supraventricular tachycardia
Pt.	Patient
PTCA	percutaneous transvenous coronary angioplasty
PVC	premature ventricular contraction
R	Respirations
R/O	rule out
RLQ	right lower quadrant
RLS	red lights and siren
ROM	range of motion
RR	respiratory rate
RSI	rapid sequence induction
RUQ	right upper quadrant
SBP	systolic blood pressure
SC	subcutaneous
Sinus-brady	sinus bradycardia
Sinus-tach	sinus tachycardia
SIDS	sudden infant death syndrome
SL	Sublingual
SO	standing order
SOB	shortness of breath
SPO2	oxygen saturation via pulse oximeter
STEMI	ST segment elevation myocardial infarction
SVT	supraventricular tachycardia
Sx	Symptoms
T	temperature
tach.	Tachycardia
TB	Tuberculosis
TBSA	total body surface area
TIA	transient ischemic attack
TKO	to keep open
TTA	trauma team activation
Tx	treatment
URI	upper respiratory infection
UTI	urinary tract infection
V-fib	ventricular fibrillation
V-tach	ventricular tachycardia
VO	verbal order
VS	vital signs
w/c	wheelchair
WNL	within normal limits
Y/O	year old