

Sick Call Screener Course

Patient Presentation (1.4)



Enabling Objective

Perform a patient presentation



Introduction

 The presentation is passing the pertinent history and findings from the Corpsman to the provider

Use effective communication

 Assists with providing continuity of care and ensuring patient safety



Presenting a Patient

- Rapport
 - Introduce yourself if it is the first time working with your provider
- General information
 - Rank / Title
 - Name
 - Age
 - Gender



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History of Present Illness

- Report the chief complaint
- Pertinent information from the HPI using OLDCARTS
 - Onset
 - Location
 - Duration
 - Characteristics
 - Aggravating factors
 - Relieving factors
 - Temporal factors
 - Severity



Supporting History

- Discuss any pertinent interval history from:
 - Past medical history
 - Surgical history
 - —Family history
 - Social history



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Review of Systems

 Report all positive and negatives from the review of systems

 Report all positive and negatives from the constitutional symptoms



Objective

- Report your positive and negative findings from your physical examination of the patient.
 - General impression
 - Physical Examination By systems and usually from head to toe in a sequential order
 - Vital signs



General Impression

- Report your general impression of the patient taking note of:
 - Signs of distress
 - Mental status
 - Gross deformities
 - Facial expressions
 - Body language
 - Gait abnormalities



Physical Examination

- Report your findings by system from head to toe in a sequential order
- Avoid jumping around body systems in your report
- Provide the patient's vital signs and whether they were taken manually



Assessment

 Provide assessment based upon the patient's history, your general observations and your physical examination

 Some provider may ask for possible differentials, it is wise to think of a few possibilities prior to presenting the patient



Plan

- The plan may include:
 - Pt education and reassurance
 - Medications
 - Rest
 - Stretches, salt water gargles, elevation, ice
 - Follow up instructions
 - Duty status/disposition



Barriers to Reporting

- Unnecessary information
- Lengthy report
- Language barriers
- Missed information
- Lack of standardization
- Interruptions



Summary and Review

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Questions

