

Clinical Case Writing Worksheet

Case Summary: Main elements, do not dwell on details

Collaborators: Team members, consultants—list all possible; can later decide who to formally invite to be an author

Intended Audience (and Potential Journals): Primary care physician, hospitalist, emergency physician, subspecialist?

Main Teaching Points: Put yourself in the shoes of the readers of your case – what will they most benefit from knowing? What are the most interesting, relevant, *and* generalizable take-home points that readers can apply to their practice?

1.

2.

Supplementary information: Patient consent, imaging studies (CXR, CT, etc.), rash images, blood smear, etc.

1.

2.

3.

Next Steps:

1. *Pick your journal* and search 'Author Information' section for details of submission. Also search recently published cases in this journal to make sure it has not recently published a similar case.
2. Using the information on the worksheet above and the specifics of submission from journal website, *start writing the formal submission!*