

DISCHARGE SUMMARY OUTLINE

- I. Beginning of Report
 - a. Your Name with spelling.
 - b. Patient Name, DOB, Medical Record Number
 - c. Attending Name.
 - d. Dates of Admission and Discharge
- II. Diagnosis(es):
 - a. List Injuries: include operation and operative date
 - b. List chronic/acute diseases
 - c. Incidental Findings and plan. Example - Renal Cysts – PCP in 1-2 weeks.
- III. Consults and Follow up appointments
 - a. Ortho, PT/OT, Speech, etc
 - b. List all follow up appointments and for consult service list the consult attendings name (ie, Spine- Dr. France- 2 weeks)
- IV. Discharge Medications
 - a. List all new medications or changed medications from this hospitalization.
 - b. List previous home medications that need to be discontinued or continued
- V. Discharge Instructions
 - a. Diet
 - b. Activities/Weight bearing status
 - i. Include all types of assistive devices (Walker, Sling, or Miami J collar)
 - ii. Wound Care Instructions: How often to change dressings/with what/how.
 - c. Disposition. Examples - Home vs Rehab
- II. HPI
 - a. Listing Initial information.
 - i. Patient age/gender, incident, date of injury.
 - ii. Arriving Vital Signs/GCS/Physical Exam and Labs
 - iii. Radiographic Work up with findings (don't forget FAST/EKG)
 - b. Hospital Course
 - i. Pertinent initial interventions (IR, FFP)
 - ii. Initial consulting services and suggestions
 - iii. List pertinent problems and injuries. List all pertinent problems throughout course (pneumonia, DVT, PE, etc with appropriate treatment.) Be sure to describe entire hospital course including ICU.
 - iv. Ensure all operative dates and procedures are included.