

### Regional Pre-hospital Abbreviation List

AAA---Abdominal aortic aneurysm

AAO---Awake, alert and oriented

AB---abortion

abd---abdomen

ABG---arterial blood gas

Ad lib---at pleasure, as desired

adm.---admission

Aero.---Aerosol

AIDS---Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

AKA---above –knee amputation

All.---allergies

ALS---Advanced Life Support

A.M.---morning

AMA---against medical advise

amb—ambulate, ambulatory

Amb.---ambulance

amp.---ampule

amt---amount

ant.---anterior

A-P anteroposterior

approx.---approximate

ARDS---Adult Respiratory Distress Syndrome

ASA—acetylsalicylic acid

ASCVD---Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease  
Arteriosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease

ASHD---Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease

assist.---assistance

atr. fib. / a fib---atrial fibrillation

A-V---Arteriovenous

ax.---axillary

b.i.d.---twice a day

Bil.---bilateral

BKA---below –knee amputation

BLS---Basic Life Support

BM---bowel movement

BP---blood pressure

BR---bathroom

br. Sounds---breath sounds

B.S.---blood sugar

B.s.---bowel sounds

BUN---blood, urea nitrogen

BVM---bag valve mask

BVM O2---bag valve mask with O2

C---centigrade, Celsius

CA---Carcinoma

Ca++---calcium

CABG---coronary artery bypass graft

CAD---Coronary Artery Disease

CAO x 4---Conscious, alert and Oriented to person, place, time, event

caps.---capsule

CAT---computerized axial tomography

cath.---catheter

CBC---complete blood count

CC/ or c/c---chief complaint

CCU---Coronary Care Unit

C.H.D.---Congenital Heart Disease

Chemo---chemotherapy

CHF---Congestive Heart Failure

chol---cholesterol

Cl---chloride

cm.---centimeter(s)

cmm.---cubic millimeter

C.N.S.---Central Nervous System

C.O.---Cardiac Output

C/o or c/o---complains of

COLD---Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease

consult.---consultation

COPD---Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

CO---Carbon Monoxide

C.O.---cardiac output

CO<sub>2</sub>---Carbon Dioxide

CP---cardiopulmonary

C.P.A.P.---Continuous Positive Airway Pressure

CPK---creatine phosphokinase

C.P.R.---Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation

creat.---creatinine

CSF---Cerebral Spinal Fluid

C-Spine---Cervical Spine

C.V.---Cardiovascular

CVA---Cerebral Vascular Accident

DCAP BTLS---D-deformities, C-contusions/crepitations, A-abrasions, P-penetrations/punctures, B-burns, T-tenderness, L-lacerations, S-swelling

Dept.---Department

Diag.---Diagnosis

DJD---Degenerative Joint Disease

DKA---Diabetic Ketoacidosis

DM---Diabetes Mellitus

DNR---Do Not Resuscitate

PH DNR---Pre-hospital Do Not Resuscitate

D5W---5% Dextrose in Water

D5NS---5% Dextrose in Normal Saline

D.O.A.---Dead on arrival

DOE---dyspnea on exertion

Dr.---Doctor

DSD---dry sterile dressing

DT'S---delerium tremens

DVT---Deep Vein Thrombosis

D/W---Dextrose in Water

Dx---diagnosis

ECG---electrocard iogram

ECH---Evangelical Community Hospital

Echo---echocardiogram

EENT---eye, ear, nose, throat

e.g.---for example

EMT---Emergency Medical Technician

EMT-P---Emergency Medical Technician Paramedic

endo.---endotracheal

ENT---ears, nose, throat

ER---Emergency Room

ETCO2---end tidal carbon dioxide

ETOH---ethanol.alcohol

ETT---endotracheal tube

Exp.---expired

ext.---external

F---Female

FB---foreign body

F.D.---Fire Department

Fe---Iron

FH---Family History

F.H.T.---fetal heart tones

FI O2---percent concentration of oxygen

FMD---Family Medical Doctor

Freq.---frequently

FSBG---Finger stick bloo glucose

ft.---foot (12 inches)

F/U---Follow Up

F.U.O---Fever of Unknown Origin

fx.---fracture

GB---gallbladder

GCS---Glasgow Coma Scale

G.I.---gastrointestinal

gluc.---glucose

Gm.---gram

GMC---Geisinger Medical Center

gr.---grains

gravida---number of pregnancies

GSW---Gun Shot Wound

G-Tube---Gastric Tube

gtt.---drops

G.U.---Genitourinary

Gyn.---Gynecology

Hb.---hemoglobin

HCO<sub>3</sub>---bicarbonate

Hct.---hematocrit

HEENT---Head, eyes, ears, nose, throat

Hg---mercury

Hgb.---hemaglobin

H&H---hemoglobin and hematocrit

HIV---Human Immunodeficiency Virus

H<sub>2</sub>O---Water

H & P---History and Physical

HPI---History of Present Illness

HR---Heart Rate

hr.---hour

H.S.---bedtime

ht.---height

HTN---Hypertension

Hx---History

ICCU---Intensive Coronary Care Unit

ICU---Intensive Care Unit

IDDM---Insulin dependent Diabetes Mellitus

IM---intramuscular

in.---inch

inf.---inferior

infl.---inflammation

int.---internal

Int. Med.---Internal Medicine

I.O.---Intraosseous

ICU---Intensive Care Unit

IPPB---intermittent positive pressure breathing

IV---Intravenous

IVP---intravenous pyelogram

JVD---Jugular vein Distention

K+---Potassium

L---Left

l---liter

lac.---laceration

lat---lateral

lb.---pound

LBBB---Left Bundle Branch Block

L&D---Labor & Delivery

LE---Lower Extremity

L/E---lower extremity

liq.---liquid

LLL---Left Lower Lobe

LLQ---Left Lower Quadrant

LMP---Last Menstrual Period

LP---Lumbar Puncture

LOC---Loss of Consciousness

LS---lumbosacral

LUL---Left Upper Lobe

LUQ---Left Upper Quadrant

L.V.H.---Left Ventricular Hypertrophy

M---Male

MAE---Moves All Extremities

Mand.---Mandibular

MAST---Military Anti Shock Trousers  
mcg.---microgram

Med(s).---medication, Medicines(s)

Meq.---milliequivalents

Mg<sup>++</sup>---Magnesium

mg.---milligrams

MHMR---Mental Health Mental Retardation Agency

MI---Myocardial Infarction

min.---minutes

ml.---milliliter

mm.---millimeter

mm. Hg---millimeters of mercury

mod. amt.---Moderate amount

MOM---milk of magnesia

MPH---Miles Per Hour

MRI—Magnetic Resonance Imaging

MS---musculoskeletal

M.S.---multiple sclerosis

MVC---motor vehicle collision

Na<sup>++</sup>---Sodium

N/A---not applicable

N/V---Nausea and vomiting

N/V/D---Nausea Vomiting Diarrhea

NaCl----Sodium Chloride

N.A.D.---no apparent distress

NaHCO<sub>3</sub> ----Sodium Bicarbonate

NCCC---Northumberland County Communications Center

nc---nasal cannula

neg.---negative

NGT---nasogastric tube

NIBP---non-invasive blood pressure

NIDDM---noninsulin dependant Diabetes Mellitus

NKA---No Known Allergies

NKDA---No known drug allergies

NMN---No Middle Name

N2O----Nitrous Oxide

noct.---nocturnal

norm.---normal

NPO---nothing by mouth

NRB---non rebreather oxygen mask

NSR---Normal Sinus Rhythm

NSS---Normal Saline

N/V---nausea and vomiting

O2---Oxygen

OB---obstetrics

OBS---Organic Brain Syndrome

OM---otitis media

Opth.---ophthalmology

Ortho.---Orthopedics

O2 sat.---oxygen saturation

PAC---Premature Atrial Contraction

PACU---Post Anesthesia Care Unit

Palp---palpation

Para---number of births

PAT---Paroxysmal Atrial Tachycardia

PCP---Primary Care Physician

PCN---Penicillin

PCO2---partial pressure of carbon dioxide

P.D.---Police Department

PE---physical exam

Peds.---pediatric

P.E.E.P.---Positive End Expiratory Pressure

PEG---percutaneous endoscopic gastrostomy

PERRL---pupil equal, round, react to light

PID---pelvis inflammatory disease

P.M.---afternoon

p.m.---afternoon

PMH---Past Medical History

PNC---Premature Nodal Contractions

PND---paroxysmal nocturnal dyspnea

PO---by mouth

PO<sub>2</sub>---partial pressure of oxygen

pos.---positive

poss.---possible

post.---posterior

postop.---postoperative, after operation

PP---postpartum

preg.---pregnancy

preop.---before operation

prep.---preparation

Press.---pressure

p.r.n.---as needed

PSVT---Paroxysmal Supraventricular Tachycardia

P.T.---Physical Therapy

PT---prothrombin time

pulm---pulmonary

PVC---Premature Ventricular Contraction

PWD---Pink, Warm, and Dry

q---every

q AM---every morning

q.h.---every hour

q.i.d.---four times a day

QRS---Quick Response Service

qt---quart

qual.---qualitative

quant.---quantitative

R---right

RBBB---Right bundle branch block

RBC---Red Blood Count

rbc---red blood cell

RDS---Respiratory Distress Syndrome

Rec'd---received

reg.---regular

Resp.---Respirations

RLQ---right lower quadrant

RUQ---right upper quadrant

R.O.M.---range of motion

RPM---Revolutions Per Minute

R & R---rate and rhythm

RRR---Regular rate and rhythm

RUL-Right Upper Lobe

RUQ---Right Upper Quadrant

Rx---Prescription, treated, treatment

S/S---Signs and symptoms

SACH---Shamokin Area Community Hospital

SCCC---Snyder County Communications Center

SCH---Sunbury Community Hospital

SAO2---saturated arterial Oxygen

sat.---satisfactory

SDS---Same Day Surgery

sl---sublingual

sm. amt.---small amount

SNCU---Skilled Nursing Care Unit

sob--- shortness of breath

sol---solution

SQ---subcutaneously

SNT---soft, nontender

stat---immediately

sub Q---subcutaneous

SVT---Supraventricular Tachycardia

sx---symptoms

synd.---syndrome

syst.---systolic

tab.---tablet(s)

TB---Tuberculosis

tbsp.---tablespoon

tech.---technician

Temp.---temperature

TIA---Transient Ischemic Attack

t.i.d.---three times a day

TPA---tissue Plasminogen Activator

TPR---temperature, pulse, respirations

trach.---tracheostomy

tsp.---teaspoon

TV----Tidal Volume

Tx---Treatment

UA---urinalysis

UE---Upper Extremity

UTI---Urinary Tract Infection

vag.---vaginal

VD---Venereal Disease

V fib---Ventricular fibrillation

V.S.---vital signs

V-tach---ventricular tachycardia

WBC---white blood count

wbc---white blood cell

WNL---within normal limits

WPW---Wolff-Parkinson-White

wt.---weight

yr.---year

y/o---year(s) old

