

AAOx3 Awake, Alert, Oriented x 3 [person/place/time]

AB ABortion

ABLS Advanced Burn Life Support

ABP Always ? Precautions (possibly ? Bloodborne Pathogens)

ACLS Advanced Cardiac Life Support

ACO Alert Conscious Oriented?

A&E Accident and Emergency

AED AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR , reference AHA Adadvanced Cardiac Life

AFA Advanced First Aid

AICD Automatic Implantable Cardioverter/Defibrillator

AIDS Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

ALS Advanced Life Support

ALSOB Alcohol Like Substance On Breath

AMA Against Medical Advice

AMI Acute Myocardial Infarction

A/O Alert and Oriented

AOB Alcohol On Breath

AOS Arrived On Scene

A&Ox4 Alert & Oriented to (person/place/time-date/condition-circumstance)

APE Acute Pulmonary Edema

APE Acute Pulmonary Embolism

ARDS Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome ? ARDS ... DaNang or shock lung

ASHD Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease

au Right Ear

AV Atrial Ventricular ? ... EKG showed 3rd degree AV block

BAC Blood Alcohol Content

BASIC Bleeding, Airway, Shock, Immobilization after classification

BBP Blood-Borne Pathogen

BCLS Basic Cardiac Life Support

BD BenzoDiazepine

BERT Bicycle Emergency Response Team

BID Twice Daily (as in meds)

BiPAP BILEVEL or BIPHASIC positive airway pressure ... "BiPAP" is a tradename

BLS Basic Life Support

BNTI Blind NasoTracheal Intubation

B/P Blood Pressure

BP Blood Pressure

BSI ? ... wear BSI. I wear gloves and protective

BTW By The Way (INTERNET)

BVM Bag Valve Mask (Ambu Bag (tm))

BZD BenZoDiazepine

CA Cancer

CABG Coronary Arterial Bypass Graft

CAD Coronary Artery Disease

CC Chief Complaint

CHF Congestive Heart Failure

CI ContraIndications (?)

CID Cervical Immobilization Device ? ... headstrap, in a pinch.

CIS Critical Incident Stress

CISD Critical Incident Stress Debriefing

CISM Critical Incident Stress Management

CNS Central Nervous System

CO Carbon Monoxide

C/O Complains Of

CO2 carbon dioxide

COAD ? ...Salbutamol is also given to Asthma, COAD, Cystic fibrosis, smoke

COPD Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease

CP Chest Pain

C/P Chest Pain

CPAP Continuous Positive Airway Pressure

CPR Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation

CSF Cerebral Spinal Fluid

CTD ? ...Before going CTD ...

CTD Close To Death

CTS Carpal Tunnel Syndrome

CVA Cerebro-vascular Accident

CYA Cover Your (Anatomy)

D5W Dextrose 5% in Water (IV)

DC DisConnect

D/C DisContinue

DIC Dead in Car

DKA Diabetic KetoAcidosis (diabetic coma)

DNI Do Not Intubate (similar to DNR)

DNR Do Not Resuscitate

DOA Dead On Arrival

DOB Date Of Birth

DP Direct Pressure

DUI Driving Under the Influence

DWAI Driving While Ability Impaired

DWI Driving While Impaired/Intoxicated

Dx Diagnosis

ECG Electro CardioGram

EKG ElectroCardioGram (old, from German ElectroKardioGram)

EOH Ethyl Alcohol

EPI EPInephrine

ER Emergency Room

ET EndoTracheal (tube)

ETA Estimated Time of Arrival

ETI EndoTracheal Intubation ?

ETOH Ethanol (Ethyl Alcohol)

ETT EndoTracheal Tube

FB Foreign Body

F&D Fixed and Dilated (pupils)

Fx Fracture

GI Gastro-Intestinal

GOA Gone On Arrival

GSW Gun Shot Wound

GU Genito-Urinary

H₂S hydrogen sulfide

HEENT Head Eyes Ears Nose and Throat

HIV Human Immuno-deficiency Virus

HR Heart Rate

HTN Hypertension

HTN Hypo/Hyper Tension

Hx History

ICH Intra-Cranial Hemorrhage (?) (... ICH that makes some people scream)

ICP IntraCranial Pressure

IDDM Insulin Dependent Diabetes Melittus

IM Intramuscular (injection)

IUD IntraUterine Device

IV IntraVenous

IVPB IntraVenous Piggy Back

KED Kendrick Extrication Device

LBB Long Back Board

LE Lower Extremities

LEAN mnemonic for Lidocaine, Epi, Atropine, Narcan

LLQ Left Lower Quadrant

LMA Laryngeal Mask Airway

LMP Last Menstrual Period

LOC Level of Consciousness

LOL Little Old Lady (affectionate)

LPM Litres Per Minute (oxygen)

LSB Long Spine Board

LUQ Left Upper Quadrant

MAE Moves All Extremities

MC Medical Control

MCA Motorcycle Accident

MCI Mass Casualty Incident

MCI MyoCardial Infarction

MDMA 3,4-methylenedioxy-methamphetamine ("ecstasy")

MI Myocardial Infarction

MO Mental Observation (psych pt)

MOI Mechanism Of Injury

MOS Member Of Service

MRI Magnetic Resonance Imaging

MVA Motor Vehicle Accident

NAD No Acute Distress (Interchangable)

NAD No Apparent Distress (Interchangable)

NAVEL mnemonic for Narcan, Atropine, Valium, Epi, Lido OBSOLETE

NBC Nuclear, Biological, Chemical

NC Nasal Cannula

NG NasoGastric

NKDA No Known Drug Allergies

NPA Nasopharyngeal Airway

NPO Nil Per Os (Nil per mouth)

NRB Non-ReBreathing (mask)

NRFM Non-Rebreathing Face Mask

NRV Non-Rebreathing Valve

NSR Normal Sinus Rhythm

NT NasoTracheal

N/T No Tenderness/Not Tender

NTG NiTroGlycerin

O₂ Oxygen

OD Overdose

OG Orogastric

OLMC On-Line Medical Control

OPA Oropharyngeal Airway

OPA ? (unconscious, no reaction to OPA or ... sternal)

os Occuli Sinistrus (Left Eye)

O-sign unresponsive person with mouth open and tongue still in mouth

OTC over-the-counter

ou Right Eye

PASG Pneumatic Anti-Shock Garment

PE Physical Examination

PE Pulmonary Edema

PE Pulmonary Embolism

PEA Pulseless Electrical Activity (cardiac)

PEARL Pupils Equal And Reactive to Light (discouraged)

PERL Pupils Equal and Reactive to Light

PERRL Pupils Equal, Round, and Reactive to Light

PID Pelvic Inflammatory Disease

PMX Prior Medical eXperience ?

PND Paroxysmal Nocturnal Dyspnea

PNS Peripheral Nervous System

PO Per os (by mouth)

PR per rectum

PSO Public Safety Officer ?

PSVT ? The patient was suffering chest pain radiating into

PT patient

PTL airway

PVC Premature Ventricular Contraction

QID Four times daily (meds)

Q-sign unresponsive person with mouth open and tongue hanging out

RLQ Right Lower Quadrant

r/o ? r/o obstructions, and gastric emptying in certain cases

RP Reporting Party

RSI Repetitive Strain Injuries

RSR Regular Sinus Rhythm

RSV Respiratory Syncytial Virus

RUQ Right Upper Quadrant

Rx Prescription

SC Subcutaneous

SFA Standard First Aid

SFM Simple Face Mask

SIDS Sudden Infant Death Syndrome

SL SubLingual

SLUD Salivation, Lacrimation, Urination, Defecation (pesticide poisoning)

SMO Standing Medical Orders

Smokie Firefighter (Australia)

SOB Shortness Of Breath

SQ Subcutaneous (pronounced subQtaneous, more common of the two)

S/S Signs and Symptoms

Sx Symptoms/Signs

TA Traffic Accident

TB Trouble Breathing

TB Tuberculosis

TBF Total Body Failure

TBI ? Today, pt. is five years post TBI, with partial complex

TID Three Times Daily (meds)

TKO To Keep Open

TM Tympanic Membrane

TOP Topically

TPR Temperature, Pulse, Respirations

Tx Treatment

Txp Transport

URI Upper Respiratory Infection

VF Ventricular Fibrillation

V-fib Ventricular Fibrillation

VSA Vital Signs Absent

WD Warm/Dry

WNL Within Normal Limits.....

WO wide open (?) (IV)

WPD Warm, Pink, Dry (skin signs)

Y/O year-old

YOWM Year Old White Male