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COMMON ABBREVIATIONS

A

A) action
AAT activities as tolerated
ABD abdominal
abn abnormal
a.c. before meals
A/C After Care
ACS Alternate Care Setting
ACSD Assistance for Children with Severe Disability
ad lib as much as needed
ADL activities of daily living
adm admission
A/E air entry

AFO ankle foot orthotics
A/K above knee
alt Alternate
amt Amount
APP Application
approx Approximately
app't appointment
apt apartment
ASAP as soon as possible
Assoc'n association
as tol as tolerated

B

b/c because
BIL brother in law
bilat bilateral

B/K below knee
BM bowel movement
BP blood pressure
BR bathroom

C

Ca Carcinoma/cancer
cal calories
caps capsules
CAPS Client Assessment Protocols
CIAT Common Intake Assessment Tool
CC Chronic Care
CHS Children's Health Service
CIC clean intermittent catheterization
CL Common law
clt client

CM case manager
cx cancel
c/o complaints of
cont'd continued
co-op co-operative
CPR cardio pulmonary resuscitation
C&S culture and sensitivity
CSR Client Service Coordinator/
Representative
CTN client tracking number
CVL central venous line

D

DAT diet as tolerated
DC dementia care
d/c discharge
dep dependent
DIL daughter in law
dept department
Dx diagnosis

DNR do not resuscitate
DOB date of birth
d/t due to
DP day program
DPSLP Durham Preschool Speech and
Language Program
Drsg dressing
dtr daughter

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ECG	electrocardiogram	esp	especially
EDD	estimated discharge date	ET	Enterostomal Therapist
EEG	electroencephalogram	etc	etcetera
eg	example	EV	Extra Visit
emerg	emergency	exp	expiration
EMO	Emergency Measures Operation	exs	exercise
ERF	Enhanced Respite Funding	ext	Extension

F

F	female	Freq	frequency
FBS	fasting blood sugar	f/u	follow up
FD	Family Doctor	FWB	full weight bear
FIL	father in law	Fx, #	Fracture
FRI	Febrile Respiratory Illness		

G

GI	gastro-intestinal	GP	General Practitioner
GIS	Guaranteed Income Supplement	gtts	Drops

H

hemi	hemiplegia	HSP	Hospice
HIN	Health Insurance Number	HSW	home support worker
HM	homemaking	Hx	history
Hosp	hospital	HV	home visit

I

IADL	instrumental activities of daily living	info	Information
ICU	intensive care unit	INR	international normalized ratio
ie	that is	insp	inspiration
IHS	In Home Services	int	internal
ILI	Influenza Like Illness	I & O	In and Out
IM	intramuscular	I & R	Information and Referral
incl	include	IV	intravenous
indep	independent	I & RSR	Information and Referral Service Representative

J

jt.	joint
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K

KJ	Kilojoule
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L

Lab	laboratory	LMWH	low molecular weight heparin
lat	lateral	LTCH	Long Term Care Home
lg	large	ltd	limited

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LHIN Local Health Integrated Network
LLL left lower lobe

LUL left upper lobe
LVD last visit

M

M male
max maximum
meds medications
MAPLe Method of Assigning Priority Level
MD Medical Doctor

MHT Mental Health Team
MIL mother in law
min minimum
MH Mental Health
msg message

N

no. number
NS/NF not seen/not found
n/a not applicable
NB important
NOS not otherwise specified
NPO nothing by mouth

N&V nausea and vomiting
NWB non weight bearing
nv next visit
NYD not yet diagnosed
NCA Nurse Continence Advisor
NOA notice of assessment

O

OHCAS Ontario Home Care Administrative System
ortho orthopedic

os eye
OPD out patient department
OT Occupational Therapist

P

P) Plan
P pulse
paed paediatric
para paraplegia
p.c. after meals
PC Placement Coordinator
PCC Point Click Care
PD postural drainage
PDD planned discharge date
per by
PHN public health nurse
PHx past history
po by mouth
POA power of attorney
pos'n position

PMI Patient Master Index
post Posterior
post-op post operatively
pre-op pre operatively
prn as required
prog program
PROM passive range of movement
PS placement services
PS/HM Personal Support/Homemaking
PSW personal support worker
Psych psychiatry
pto please turn over
PT Physio Therapist
pulm pulmonary
PWB partial weight bearing

Q

q every
quad quadriplegia

q X h every X hours
qhs every bedtime

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R)	Report	RML	right middle lobe
R/A	Reassessment	RNCC	Registered Nurse Complex Care
RAF	Registration Administration Form	ROM	range of movement
RAI	Resident Assessment Instrument	RPNCC	Registered Practical Nurse Complex Care
RD	Registered Dietitian	RNV	Registered Nurse Visit
re	regarding	RPNV	Registered Practical Nurse Visit
rec'd	received	RNMH	Registered Nurse Mental Health
reg	regular	RPNMH	Registered Practical Nurse Mental Health
rehab	rehabilitation	RNP	Registered Nurse Practitioner
resp	respiration	R/C	return call
ret'd	returned	r/t	related to
RFEC	Resources for Exceptional Children	RTS	raised toilet seat
RH	Retirement Home	RUL	right upper lobe
RLL	right lower lobe	Rx	prescription

S

SAF	Service Advice Form	soc. ser.	social services
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome	SP	Service Plan
sc	subcutaneous	SPS	spouse
SCIN	School Intervention Note	SRI	Severe Respiratory Illness
SDM	substitute decision maker	SS	Short Stay
sec	seconds	SSAH	Special Services at Home
sed. rate	sedimentation rate	SSCC	Short Stay Convalescent Care
SHSS	School Health Support Services	S & S	Signs and Symptoms
SIL	son in law	std	standard
sl	slightly	staph	staphylococcus
SLP	Speech Language Pathologist	stat	at once
Sm	small	stim	stimulation
SOB	shortness of breath	strep	Streptococcus
SOBOE	shortness of breath on exertion	SW	Social Worker
		Sx	Surgery

T

TA	Team Assistant	TJN	Total Joint Network
tab	tablet	TPN	Total Parenteral Nutrition
tel no.	telephone number	TPR	temperature, pulse and respiration
Temp	Temperature	tol	tolerated
TC	telephone call	trach	tracheostomy
TENS	transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation	Tx	treatment
TGBTM	to get back to me		

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U

u/d	update	ung	ointment
		US	Ultrasound

V

V.A.C. Therapy	Vacuum Assisted Closure Therapy	V/S	vital signs
VM	voice mail	VSS	vital signs stable
V/O	verbal order		

W

WTB	weight bearing	wk	week
W/C	wheelchair	W/L	Wait List
w/d	withdrawn	w/o	week of
w/e	weekend	wt	weight
		WND	Complex Wound Care

Y

YA	younger adult units
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***NOTE – Abbreviations as listed are DATC specific and DO NOT include universal abbreviations which are accepted as well i.e. Mon – Fri - Monday to Friday inclusive
OD – once daily
BID – twice daily**

Misc

=	equal to	+ve	positive
>	greater than	-ve	negative
<	less than	+++	empathize
-	Minus	X	times
+	plus	&	and
+/-	plus or minus		

Common Abbreviations: Agencies

ACSD	Assistance for Children with Severe Disabilities	GIS	Guaranteed Income Supplement
ADP	Assistive Devices Program	GCC	Grandview Children’s Center
ARS	Adaptive Rehabilitation Services	HCS	Heaman Communication Services Inc.
Bayshore	Bayshore Healthcare	IRP	Integrated Rehabilitation Professionals
C/P	Care Partners	LTCH	Long Term Care Home
CAR	Community Advantage Rehabilitation	MOHLTC	Ministry of Health and Long Term Care
CAS	Children’s Aid Society	ODB	Ontario Drug Benefit
Comm. Care	Community Care	ODSP	Ontario Disability Support Program

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CCAC	Community Care Access Center	Paramed	ParaMed Home Health Care
Comcare	Comcare Health Services	PAC	Personal Attendant Care
DAFRS	Durham Association for Family Respite Services	PCN	Partners in Community Nursing
DATC	Durham Access To Care	PAB	Priority Access Beds
DHC	District Health Council	PGT	Public Guardian and Trustee
DHS	DHS Health Care Services	Pro Home	Pro Home Kawartha Quality Care
DP	Day Program	SEHC	Saint Elizabeth Health Care
FBA	Family Benefit Assistance	VA	Veteran's Affairs
GAINS	Guaranteed Annual Income Net Supplement	VHA	VHA Home HealthCare
GDC	Gamma/Dynacare Medical Laboratories	VON	Victorian Order of Nurses
OW	Ontario Works		

Hospitals

BH	Bridgepoint Health (formerly Riverdale Hospital)	SHSG	Scarborough Hospital – Scarborough General Site
HSC	Hospital for Sick Children	STMIKE	St. Michael's Hospital
LHB	Lakeridge Health Corporation, Bowmanville	SWOA	Sunnybrook & Women's College Health Science, Orthopaedic & Arthritic Institution
LHO	Lakeridge Health Corporation, Oshawa	SWW	Sunnybrook & Women's College Health Science – Women's Site
LHPP	Lakeridge Health Corporation, Port Perry	TEGH	Toronto East General Hospital
LHW	Lakeridge Health Corporation, Whitby	TSRCC	Toronto - Sunnybrook Regional Cancer Centre
LRMH	Lindsay Ross Memorial Hospital	UCH	Uxbridge Cottage Hospital – Markham Stouffville
MSH	Markham Stouffville Hospital Site	UHG	University Health Network - General Site (Toronto General)
MTS	Mount Sinai Hospital	UHW	University Health Network – Western Site (Toronto Western)
RVAP	Ajax Pickering Health Centre – Rouge Valley Health System	UHPM	University Health Network – Princess Margaret Site
RVC	Centenary Health Centre – Rouge Valley Health System	WCH	Womens College Hospital
SHGR	Scarborough Hospital – The Grace Site	WMHC	Whitby Mental Health Centre

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BA	Bon Air	LV	Lakeview Manor
Bay	Bay Ridges	MLC	Marnwood Lifecare Centre
BL	Ballycliffe Lodge	SC	Sunnycrest Nursing Home
CP	Community Nursing Home (Pickering)	SLC	Strathaven Lifecare Centre
CPP	Community Nursing Home (Port Perry)	WF	The Wynfield
EC	Extendicare (Oshawa)	TVIEW	Thornton View
FB	Fosterbrooke Long Term Care Facility	UVCC	Uxbridge Versa Care Centre
FV	Fairview Lodge	VTM	Village of Taunton Mills
HD	Hillsdale Estates	WB	Winbourne Park Long Term Care Centre

Day Programs

APDP	Ajax Pickering Day Program	NDP	Newcastle Day Program
HDDP	Hillsdale Day Program	OS CJ	Oshawa Seniors Centre – John St.
LVDP	Lakeview Day Program	OS CN	Oshawa Seniors Centre – Northview

Retirement Homes

PPV	Port Perry Villa	OV	Orchard Villa
CR	Cedarcroft Retirement Home	MH	Marnwood House
BARH	Bon Air Retirement Home	STM	Strathaven Manor (RH)
BLRH	Ballycliffe Retirement Home	RBV	Rosebank Villa
WC	Whitecliffe Terrace	Comf. Alt.	Comfortable Alternative Living for Srs
PRH	Parkway Retirement Home	CRH	Colonial Retirement Home
		CPC	The Court at Pringle Creek
		CB	The Court at Brooklin

School Boards

DDSB	Durham District School Board	PVNCCDSB	Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board
DCDSB	Durham Catholic District School Board	KPRDSB	Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board

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Diagnosis and Procedure Code Abbreviations

AAA	Abdominal aorta aneurysm	ABD	Abdominal
AC	Acromioclavicular	ACL	Anterior cruciate ligament
ACQ	Acquired	ADD	Attention deficit disorder
ADHD	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder	AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
ALL	Acute lymphoid leukemia	ALS	Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
AML	Acute myeloid leukemia	ARC	AIDS-related complex
ASHD	Arteriosclerotic heart disease	A/K	Above knee
BHP	Benign hypertrophy prostate	B/K	Below knee
BSO	Bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy		
Ca	Cancer	CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft
CAD	Coronary artery disease	CAPD	Continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis
CF	Cystic fibrosis	CHF	Congestive heart failure
CHOLE	Cholecystectomy	CLL	Chronic lymphatic leukemia
CML	Chronic myeloid leukemia	CNS	Central nervous system
COPD	Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease	CP	Cerebral palsy
CRF	Chronic renal failure	CS	Caesarean section
CVA	Cerebrovascular accident	CVD	Cerebrovascular disease
CYSTO	Cystoscopy		
DD	Degenerative disc disease	DVT	Deep vein thrombosis
DYS	Dystrophy		
ESRD	Elevated sedimentation rate	ESRF	End stage renal failure
FEM	Femoral		
GI	Gastrointestinal		
HAA	Hepatitis australia antigen	HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HTN	Hypertension		
IDDM	Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus	INCONT	Incontinence
IUGR	Intrauterine growth retardation	I&D	Incision and drainage
jt.	Joint		
LAP	Laparoscopic	LG	Large
LAT	Lateral		
M	Male	MAL	Malignant
MI	Myocardial infarction	MOD	Moderate
MRSA	Methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus	MS	Multiple sclerosis
MVA	Motor vehicle accident		
Na	Sodium	NEC	Not elsewhere classified
NIDDM	Non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus	NOS	Not otherwise specified
NYD	Not yet diagnosed		
OA	Osteoarthritis	OBS	Obstetrical
ORIF	Open reduction and internal fixation	ORTHO	Orthopedic
PAT	Paroxymal atrial tachycardia	PID	Pelvic inflammatory disease

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PP	Post-partum	polio	Poliomyelitis
PVD	Peripheral vascular disease	PTCA	Percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty
RA	Rheumatoid arthritis	RSV	Respiratory syncytial virus
SLE	Systemic lupus erythematosus	SM	Small
SOB	Short of Breath	TB	Tuberculosis
TAH	Total abdominal hysterectomy	THR	Total hip replacement
THA	Total hip arthroplasty	TKR	Total knee replacement
TIA	Transient ischemic attack	TVH	Total vaginal hysterectomy
TURP	Transurethral resection of prostate	UTI	Urinary tract infection
T & A	Tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy	VSD	Ventricular septal defect
URI	Upper respiratory infection		
VRE	Vancomycin resistant enterococcus		

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