

## MEDICAL ABBREVIATIONS & SYMBOLS

Symbol	Definition
Ⓕ	Left
Ⓖ	Right
Ⓑ / Bil	Bilateral
$\overline{c}$ / $\overline{w}$	With
$\overline{s}$	Without
$\overline{p}$	Before
$\overline{a}$	After
↑	Increase
↓	Decrease
° [degree symbol]	Hours
c/o	Complains of
c/c	Chief complaint

Abbrev.	Definition
bx	Biopsy
dx	Diagnosis
hx	History
sx	Signs
sy	Symptoms
s/s	Signs & Symptoms
tx	Treatment
Δ	Change
∅	No / None
d/c	Discharge
WNL	Within normal limits
ROM	Range of motion
A & O	Alert and oriented
PERRLA	Pupils equal, round, react to light & accommodation

Abbrev.	Definition
$\overline{q}$	Every
qd	Once / Every Day
bid	Twice a Day
tid	3 Times a Day
qid	4 Times a Day
qod	Every other day
prn	As Necessary
NR	Do not repeat
PO	By mouth
NPO	Nothing By Mouth
DC	Discontinue
IM	Intramuscular
IM	Inmate
DOT	Directly Observed Therapy (watch swallow)
KOP	Keep on Person
NSAID	Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug
APAP	Acetaminophen (Tylenol®)
IBU	Ibuprofen