

Abbreviation	Meaning
4 pt kneel	4 point kneeling
6-CIT	Six question Cognitive impairment Test
A&E	Accident and Emergency
AAA	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm
AABR	Automated Auditory Brainstem Response
AAC	Alternative and augmentative communication
AAROM	Active assisted ROM
AB Word Lists	Arthur Boothroyd Word Lists
Abd	Abduction
Abdo	Abdominal
ABI	Acquired Brain Injury
ABPI	Ankle Brachial Pressure Index
ABR	Auditory Brainstem Response
abs	abdominal muscles
Abx	antibiotics
ACCT	Assessment Care and Custody Teamwork
ACDF	Anterior cervical discectomy and fusion
ACE Inhibitor	Angiotensin Converting Enzyme
ACF	Ante Cubital fossa
ACJ	Accromioclavicular Joint
ACL	Anterior Cruciate Ligament
ACST	Access to Community Services Team
add brev	adductor brevis
add long	adductor longus
add mag	adductor magnus
ADHD	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
ADL	Activities of Daily Living
AED	Additional Educational Needs Service
AEM	Anti-epileptic medication
AF	Atrial fibrillation
AFO	ankle foot orthosis
AHCH	Alder Hey Children's Hospital
ALD	Adults with Learning Difficulty
Alex Court	Alexandra Court
Alk phos	Alkaline phosphatase
ALW	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan
ANC	Antenatal clinic
ANDU	Antenatal day unit
ANP	Advanced Nurse Practitioner
ANTT	Aseptic non touch technique
AOAE	Oto-Acoustic Emission
APGAR	Scoring tool - activity, pulse, grimace, appearance, respirat
APL	Abductor pollicis longus
Approx	Approximately

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appt	appointment
ARM	Artificial rupture of membranes
AROM	Active Range of Movement
AS	ankylosing spondylitis
ASAD	Arthroscopic subacromial decompression.
ASAP	As soon as possible
ASIS	Anterior superior iliac spine
ASQ	Ages & Stages questionnaire
ASQ SE	Ages and stages questionnaire social and emotional
ATFL	Anterior talofibular ligt
ATOD	Advisory Teacher of the Deaf
ATOM	Atomoxetine
AVN	Avascular Necrosis
Ax	assessment
AXR	Abdominal X-Ray
B12	B12 - vitamin
BAAF	British Association Adoption and Fostering
BBA	Born before arrival
BCC	Basal Cell Carcinoma
BCG	Bacille Calmette-Guérin
bd	twice daily
Bio	Biomechanical
biopod	biomechanical podiatry
BiPAP	Bilevel positive airway pressure
BKFO	bent knee fall out
BMI	Body Mass Index
BMP	Bowel Management Programme
BNF	British National Formulary
BNF-C	British National Formulary (Child)
BNO	Bowels not open
BP	Blood Pressure
BPVS	British Picture Vocabulary Test
BRP	Back rehabilitation program
BSC	Bristol stool chart
BSL	British Sign Language
BTE Aid	Behind The Ear Aid
BV	Bacterial Vaginosis
C/O	Complains of
Ca	Cancer
CABG	Coronary artery bypass graft
CAF	Common Assessment Framework
CAHMS	Child & adolescent mental health service
CAMHS	Child Adolescent Mental Health Service
CARAT	Counselling Assessment Referral Advice Throughcare
CATS	Clinical Assessment & Treatment Service
CCF	Congestive cardiac failure
CCN	Children's Community Nurse

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CCNT	Children's Community Nursing Team
CCU	Coronary Care Unit
CDC	Child Development Centre
Ceph	Cephalic
CFO	Common flexor origin
CHD	Coronary Heart Disease
CHDT	Community Health Development Team
Child LD	Children's Learning disability nursing
CIC	child in care
CKD	Chronic renal failure
CMC	Carpometacarpal
CN	Community Nurse
CNA	Cannot attend
CNS	Central Nervous System
COCP	Combined Oral Contraceptive
Cons	Consultant
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
CPN	Community Psychiatric Nurse
CPP	Child Protection Plan
CPR	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation
CRP	C-reactive protein
CSE	Child sexual exploitation
CSF/ME	Chronic Fatigue Syndrome / Myalgic Encephalomyelitis
CSU	Catheter specimen of urine
CT or CAT	Computerised Tomography scan.
CTD	Carpal tunnel decompression
CTG	Cardiotocograph
CVA	Cerebral Vascular Accident (Stroke)
CVD	Cardiovascular Disease
CVS	Cardiovascular system
Cx	Cervical spine
CXR	Chest Radiograph or Chest X-ray.
D&C	Dilation and curettage
D&V	Diarrhoea and Vomiting
DEXA	Dual Energy X-Ray Absorptiometry
DHS	Dynamic hip screw
DIB	Difficulty in Breathing
DIPJ	Distal Interphalangeal Joint
DISH	Diffuse Idiopathic Skeletal Hypertrophy
DN	District Nurse
DNA	Did Not Attend
DNACPR	Do Not Attempt Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation
DNAR	Do Not Attempt Resuscitation
DOB	Date of Birth
Dr	Doctor
DRE	Digital Rectal Examination
DTaP	diphtheria (D), tetanus (T) and acellular pertussis (aP)

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DTC	Derbyshire Test of Comprehension
DUPLEX	Duplex Ultrasound
DV	Domestic Violence
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
Dx	Diagnosis
ECU	extensor carpi ulnaris
EDD	Expected date of delivery
EEG	Electroencephalogram
eGFR	Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate
EI CS	Elective caesarean section
Em CS	Emergency caesarean section
EMG	Electromyography
ENT	Ear Nose and Throat
EOL	End of Life
EP	Epilepsy
EPR	Electronic Patient record
ESP	Extended Scope Practitioner
EUA	Examination under anesthetic
FADIRS	Flexion,adduction and internal rotation
FBC	Full Blood Count
FBG	Fasting blood glucose
FCA	Foot Care Assistant
FGM	Female Genital Mutilation
FH	Family History
FHHL	family History of Hearing Loss
FHHR	Fetal heart heard and regular
FHLT	Family Healthy Lifestyle Team
FI	Faecal Incontinence
FIL	flexion in lying
FIS	flexion in standing
FMAU	Fetal maternal assessment unit
FMF	Fetal movements felt
FNP	Family Nurse Partnership
FPP	Falls prevention programme
FRAT	Falls Risk Assessment Tool
FRAX	Fracture risk assessment tool
FROM	Full Range of Movement
FSTF	Free standing toilet frame
Full ROM	Full range of movement
FWB	fully weight bearing
GAD	Generalised anxiety disorder
GBS	Guillain –Barre Syndrome
GCS	Glasgow Coma Scale
GHG	General health good
GHJ	Gleno-Humeral Joint
GI or GIT	Gastro Intestinal/Tract
gluts	Gluteal muscles

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GMP	Greater Manchester Police
GORD	Gastro-Oesophageal Reflux Disease
GP	General Practitioner
GPwSi	GP with Special Interest
GSF	Gold Standard Framework
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GTN	Glyceryl Trinitrate
GUM	Genito-urinary medicine
GUT	Genito Urinary Tract
H&J	Health and Justice
h.mille	Heloma milliare (seed corn)
h.molle	Heloma molle (soft corn)
h.vasc	Vascular corn
HADS	Hospital anxiety and depression scale
Haem	Haemorrhage
HAV	Hallux abductus valgus
Hb	Haemoglobin
HbA1c	Glycated haemoglobin (diabetic)
HBB	Hand behind back
HCA	Health Care Assistant
HCG	Human Chorionic Gonadotropin test.
HD	Heloma Durum/hard corn
HDC	Home detention curfew
HDS	Home Delivery Service
HEF	Health equalities framework
HEF	Home Enteral Feeding
Hemi	Hemiplegia/Hemiplegic
HEP	home exercise plan
Hep B	Hepatitis B
HICES	Halton integrated community equipment stores
HIS	Healthcare Information System
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HLA-B27	Human Leukocyte Antigen B27
HNV	Neurovascular corn
HPC	history of present condition
HPV	human papillomavirus
HSAP	Housing support Access Point
HV	Health Visitor
HVS	High vaginal swab
Hx	History
ICES	Integrated community equipment store
ICH	Intracerebral Haemorrhage
ICS	Integrated community services
ICU	intensive care unit
IDAP	Independent Domestic Abuse Programme
IDDM	Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
IGTN	In growing toenail

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IHD	Ischaemic heart disease
IM	Intramuscular
INT	Integrated Neighbourhood Team
IUD	Intrauterine Device
IUGR	Intrauterine growth retardation
IV	Intravenous
IVF	In vitro fertilisation
IVP	Intravenous Pyelogram (or intravenous urogram – IVU).
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IVTL	IV Team Leader
IVTN	IV Therapy Nurse
LAC	Looked After Child
LBC	Liquid-based cytology
LBP	Low Back Pain
LD	learning disability
LDL/HDL	Low density lipoprotein/high density lipoprotein.
LFT	Liver Function Test
LGBT	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual/Transgender
LHCH	Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital
LOC	Loss of consciousness
LSCS	Lower Segment Caesarean Section
LTC	Long term conditions
LTCC	Long Tern Central Catheter
LVF	Left Ventricular Failure
LVS	Low vaginal swab
MASH	Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub
MASSS	Multi Agency Screening and Safeguarding Service
MCL	medial collateral ligament
MCP	metacarpophalangeal
MCV	Mean Corpuscular Volume
MDMA	Methylenedioxymethamphetamine
MDT	Multi-Disciplinary Team
Mets	Metastases
MFH	Missing from Home
MFTPR	Myofacial Trigger Point Release
Mg	milligrams
MI	Myocardial Infarction
MND	Motor Neuone Disease
MPJ	metatarsal phalgeal joint
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging Scan.
MRSA	Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus
MS	Multiple Sclerosis
MSA	Multiple System Atrophy
MSE	Mental State Examination
MSK/CATS	Musculoskeletal/Clinical Assessment and Treatment Service
MSM	Men who have sex with Men
MSU	Mid-Stream Urine Sample (for culture and sensitivity)

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MUA	manipulation under anesthetic
MUS	Medically Unexplained Symptoms
MUST	Malnutrition Universal Screening Tool
Na	Sodium
NAD	No Abnormality Detected
NBI	No Bone Injury
NCS	nerve conduction studies.
NDTMS	National Drug Treatment & Monitoring Service
neuro	neurological
NFA	No fixed Abode
NG	Nasogastric Tube
NICE	National Institute for Health and Care Excellence
NIDDM	Non-Insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus
NJ	Nasogastric Jejunostomy
NPS	New Psychoactive Substance/s
NSAID	non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug
NSLBP	non-specific low back pain
NSTEMI	Non ST Elevation Myocardial Infarction
NWB	non-weight bearing
OA	Osteoarthritis
obs	observations
OGD	Oesophago-gastro-duodenoscopy
OM	Otitis Media
ONS	Oral Nutritional supplement
OOH	Out of Hours
OPD	Out Patient Department
OPP	Orthopaedic Physiotherapy Practitioner
ORIF	Open Reduction and Internal Fixation (of fracture)
OT	Occupational Therapist
PACS	Picture Archiving and Communication System
PADL	Personal Activity of Daily Living
PART	Paediatric Acute Response Team
PCA	plantar calcaneal area
PCAT	Primary Care Access Team
PCB	Post Coital Bleeding
PD	Parkinsons Disease
PE	Pulmonary Embolism
PEARL	Pupils equal and reacting to light
PEDS	Paediatric Eczema Dermatology Service
PEFR	peak expiratory flow rate
PEG	Percutaneous Endoscopic Gastrostomy
PERL	Pupils Equal and Reacting to Light
PET	Positron Emission Tomography.
PGD	Patient Group Direction
Physio	Physiotherapist
PICC	Peripherally inserted central catheter
PMA	plantar metatarsal area

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PMH	Past Medical History
PN	Practice Nurse
PNA	Partial nail avulsion
Pod	Podiatry
POP	Plaster of Paris
POPPS	Partnerships for Older People Projects
PPC	Preferred Priorities of Care
PPH	Post partum haemorrhage
PPIU	Police Public Protection Investigation Unit
PRN	As Required (relating to medication)
PSA	Prostate-Specific Antigen.
PSD	Patient Specific Direction
PSP	Progressive Supranuclear Palsy
PTNS	Percutaneous Tibial Nerve Stimulation
Pu	Passed Urine
PV	Per Vagina
PVD	Peripheral vascular disease
PWB	Partial Weight Bearing
Px	Prescription
RA	Rheumatoid Arthritis
RAEI	Royal Albert Edward Infirmary
RAID	Rapid assessment Interface and discharge service
RAPT	Renfrew Action Picture Test
RASASC	Rape and Sexual Abuse Support Centre
RBBB	Right bundle branch block
RD	Registered Dietitian
RGN	Registered general nurse
ROM	Range of Movement
ROS/C	Removal of Sutures/Clips
ROTL	Release on temporary licence
Rx	Treatment
SAH	Subarachnoid Haemorrhage
SCBU	Special care baby unit
SCLS	Scheduled Care and Long Term Services
SDQ	Strengths & Difficulties questionnaire
SEAM	Sexually Exploited and Missing
SEN	special educational needs
SENCO	Special educational needs co-ordinator
SEND	Special Educational Needs and Disability
SHN	School Health Nurse
SLR	Straight Leg Raising
SLT	Speech and Language Therapy
SPA	Single Point of Access
Sr	Sister
SS	Social Services
STD	Sexually Transmitted Disease
STJ	subtalar joint

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Sub Cut.	Sub cutaneous
SW	Social Worker
TB	Tuberculosis
TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
TFTs	Thyroid Function Tests.
THR	Total Hip Replacement
TIA	Transient ischaemic Accident
TIBC	Total Iron-Binding Capacity.
TKR	Total Knee Replacement
TVN	Tissue Viability Nurse
U&Es	Urea and Electrolytes
USS	Ultrasound Scan
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
VAS	Visual analogue scale
VTE	Venous Thromboembolism
wbc/wcc	White Blood Count / White Cell Count
WHHFT	Warrington Halton Hospital Foundation Trust
WIC	Walk in Centre
Wt	Weight
WWL	Wrightington Wigan and Leigh
XR	X-ray
YOT	Youth Offending Team
ZF	Zimmer Frame

List as at:

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