

Biodata

Presenting complaint(s)

History of presenting complaint

Direct questioning

Systemic inquiry(review)

Pregnancy and delivery history

Past medical history

Drug history

Developmental history

Feeding history

Immunization history

Family history

Social history

Summary

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BIODATA

- Name of patient
- Age
- Sex
- Address
- Date of interview
- Date of admission
- Informant(relationship to child)
- Is the informant the primary caregiver of the child
- Has the informant been with the child throughout the period of illness?
- The educational level of the informant

PRESENTING COMPLAINT(S)

- What is the complaint?
- How are you feeling?
- When did your problem/symptoms begin?

- What were you doing when the symptoms began?

History of Presenting Complaints

CHARACTERISTICS OF COMMON PRESENTING COMPLAINTS

1. FEVER -

- Onset(sudden/insidious)
- Nature
- Severity
- Associations(chills/rigors)
- Intervention

2. PAIN/HEADACHE

- Site
- Onset
- Character
- Radiation
- Associations
- Timing
- Exacerbating/relieving factors
- Severity

3. COUGH

- Onset
- Nature
- Progression/daily variation
- Severity
- Productive(older children)
- Chest pain(older children)
- Blue lips
- Nasal discharge
- Contact with adult with chronic cough
- History/family history of asthma/allergies
- Difficult breathing and fever

4. DIFFICULTY BREATHING

- Onset
- Progression/daily variation
- Severity
- Chest pain
- Foreign body ingestion
- Fever and cough
- Wheezing/noisy breathing
- Blue lips
- Pedal oedema
- Orthopnea and PND(older children)
- Trauma
- History/family history of asthma/allergies

5. PASSAGE OF LOOSE STOOLS

- Onset
- Frequency
- Volume
- Nature
- Blood and or mucus
- Ability to feed/drink
- Vomiting
- Weakness
- Fever and Abdominal pain
- Food preparation/hygiene
- Source of water
- Method of refuse and sewage disposal
- Last passed urine

6. VOMITING

- Onset
- Volume
- Frequency
- Nature/color
- Blood
- Ability to drink/feed
- Fever and Abdominal pain
- Weakness
- Passage of loose stool

- Food preparation/hygiene
- When last passed urine

7. CONVULSION

- Onset
- Nature(focal or generalized)
- Frequency/number of episodes
- Duration
- Intervals between episodes
- Preceding aura(older children)
- Associations –fecal, urinary incontinence, drooling
- Loss of consciousness
- Post ictal sleep
- Febrile illness
- Trauma
- Previous episode
- Family history of seizures

8. INABILITY TO WALK

- Onset
- Preceding trauma
- Joints/limb swelling
- fever
- Genotype
- Neck pain
- Eye pain/photophobia
- Personality change
- Change in handwriting
- Recent travel
- Restlessness
- Diarrhea
- URTI (Upper Respiratory Tract Infection)

9. PASSAGE OF DARK COLORED URINE

- Timing with urination
- Fever
- Sore throat and skin rash
- Facial swelling in the morning

- Recurrent bone pain
- Chronic jaundice
- Previous passage of dark-colored urine with a febrile illness
- History of bleeding disorder in maternal uncle
- Frequency
- Urgency
- Pain on micturition
- Drug ingestion (rifampicin, desferrioxamine, quinine, sulphonamides, camphor)

SYSTEMIC INQUIRY

Elicits symptoms from systems not covered by the presenting complaints.

Offers the opportunity for holistic care

Only positives

Only report if significant

●*General*

- Appetite/feeding
- Fever
- Weight loss
- Activity
- Strength

●*CardioVascular*

- Difficult breathing
- Breathlessness
- Difficulty feeding
- Sweating on feeds
- Cyanosis/Blue spells
- Apathy
- Squatting
- Fainting
- Palpitations
- Pedal oedema
- Orthopnea
- PND

- Respiratory

- Difficult breathing
- Fast breathing
- Cough
- Noisy breathing
- Cyanosis
- Discharge from ears
- Running nose
- Sore throat
- Difficult feeding

- Gastrointestinal*

- Appetite
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Abdominal pain
- Abdominal distension
- Constipation

- Genitourinary*

- Frequency of urination
- Thirst
- Nocturia
- Enuresis
- Pain on micturition
- Cloudy urine
- Unusual smell of urine
- Urinary stream
- Congenital anomalies
- Descent of testes

- Hematological*

- Pallor
- Bleeding
- Bruising
- Lumps
- Recurrent jaundice

- Lethargy

- *Central Nervous System*

- Change in mood
- Change in activity
- Floppiness
- Gait
- Headache
- Vision Impairment
- Hearing Impairment
- Convulsions

- *Neuropsychiatric*

- Child's Intelligence
- Change in intellectual function
- School achievement
- Relationship with others

- *Endocrine*

- Abnormal growth in height
- Abnormal growth in weight
- Abnormal thirst
- Urine frequency
- Urine volume
- Breast development
- Genital changes
- Vision
- Apathy

- *Musculoskeletal*

- Joint pain
- Joint swelling
- Joint stiffness
- Weakness
- Gait

- *Skin*

- Skin rash
- Lumps
- Pruritus

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY

- Previous episodes of current illness
- Previous admissions
- Blood transfusions
- Surgery or trauma
- Allergies(Drugs, food, environment)
- Part history of infectious diseases(measles, chicken pox, mumps, hepatitis)
- Chronic illnesses(Asthma, SCD)

DRUG HISTORY

- Medications for current illness
- Medications for chronic illness

PREGNANCY & DELIVERY

- Report in detail < 1yr. Above 1yr only if relevant.
- Mother's health during pregnancy(fever, skin rash, vaginal discharge, bleeding, PIH, chronic illness, drugs, radiation)
- HIV testing and PMTCT
- Duration of pregnancy
- Type of delivery
- Length of labor
- Place of birth
- Birth weight, onset of breathing(cry)
- Jaundice, convulsions, blue spells, ability to suck, admissions

DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES

- Report detail < 3 years. > 3 years if relevant
- Differentiate between development delay and regression of milestones
- When relevant, and below 3 years report under the various domains
- Comparison with siblings helpful
- The level at school relative to age

GROSS MOTOR

Head Control – 4 months

Sits unsupported – 9 months

Stands independently – 12 months

Walks independently – 18 months

VISION & FINE MOTOR

Fixes and follows visually – 3 months

Reaches for objects – 6 months

Transfers – 8 months

Pincer grip – 12 months

HEARING, SPEECH & LANGUAGE

Polysyllabic babble – 7 months

Consonant babble – 10 months

Saying 6 words with meaning – 18 months

Join words – 2 years

3-word sentences – 2.5 years

SOCIAL BEHAVIOR

Smiles – 8 weeks

Fear of strangers – 10 months

Feeds self/spoon – 18 months

Symbolic Play: 2 – 2.5 years

Interactive Play: 3 – 3.5 years.

FEEDING HISTORY

In older children may not be important for younger children and children with nutritional concerns

- Breastfeeding
- Bottle feeds
- Age of weaning
- Feeds weaned unto
- Frequency of feeding
- Quantify fed
- Food groups

- Who feeds child
- Weight gain, vomiting, and frequent stools

IMMUNIZATION HISTORY

Ages at which immunizations were administered

FAMILY HISTORY

- Similar illness
- Sickle cell disease
- Allergies
- Diabetes mellitus
- Seizure Disorders
- Chronic infections
- Learning disabilities
- Age, weight, and height of siblings and parents.

SOCIAL HISTORY

- Age of parents
- The educational level of parents
- Occupation of parents
- Income of parents
- Insurance
- Housing– Number of occupants
- Alcohol/smoking among caregivers
- Ventilation
- Source of water
- Refuse /Sewage disposal
- Missed school days
- Effect of illness on family
- Coping strategies