Discharge Summary Template

Date of Admission:

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Attending Physician: (should be the attending on the day of discharge)

PCP: (must include the name of the PCP or clinic, “out of town” not acceptable)

Admission Diagnosis: This should be the reason for admission (e.g. dehydration, respiratory distress, hypoxia, abdominal pain), not the discharge diagnosis.

Discharge Diagnosis:

Secondary Diagnoses: Additional diagnoses other than the main discharge diagnosis including chronic medical conditions and diagnosis from the admission that are resolved (e.g. ex 24 week prematurity; G-tube dependence; respiratory failure, resolved)

Consultations:

Procedures:

HPI: Brief, do not copy and paste the H&P! Edit it.

Brief Hospital Course: This should be a brief, problem-based summary of the admission. Include all pertinent lab values and radiology studies here. If the patient was admitted or transferred to the PICU during admission, include that.

Physical Exam: Include vital signs and a physical exam if using the discharge summary as the last day’s progress note.

Pending Lab or Test Results:

Immunizations Given During Admission:

Discharge Disposition:

Diet: If applicable. Include feeding regimen if child is on tube feeds, or include if there has been a formula change. Otherwise, you can skip this.

Discharge Medications: Include medication name, dose, route, frequency, duration of therapy if acute

Discharge Instructions:

Follow-up Appointments: Include clinic/physician, date, time, location, phone number if known.

CC: PCP (include name of PCP or clinic)