

Death Registry

VSIMS Bulletin

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If you have any questions, please call us at 602-364-1245.

ABBREVIATIONS IN THE CAUSE OF DEATH

Recently, the practice of using abbreviations in the cause of death statement has been questioned. As a result, we have researched the subject extensively and found that this is not an acceptable practice.

NCHS guidelines clearly state: "Abbreviations and parentheses should be avoided in reporting causes of death" in the electronic death registry system. (EDRS)

When the physician reports the cause of death and uses an abbreviation, the person transcribing the cause of death into the EDRS must interpret the abbreviation and key the full medical term. E.G. CHF = Congestive Heart Failure.

If the person transcribing the cause of death is unsure or the abbreviation is ambiguous or can have multiple meanings, then contact the physician for clarification. Document the call to the physician in the Comments section of the EDRS in the event that it is questioned later.

A fairly comprehensive list of common medical abbreviations is attached to this bulletin and should be kept handy by everyone who transcribes cause of death into the EDRS.

With your cooperation, we can all shine. When Arizona is identified as the best improved state for the quality of their data, it will be **YOU** who can take the credit.

ABBREVIATIONS

AAA	abdominal aortic aneurysm	ADH	antidiuretic hormone
AAS	aortic arch syndrome	ADS	antibody deficiency syndrome
AAT	alpha-antitrypsin	AEG	air encephalogram
AAV	AIDS-associated virus	AF	auricular or atrial fibrillation; acid fast
AB	abortion; asthmatic bronchitis	AFB	acid-fast bacillus
ABD	abdomen	AFI	amaurotic familial idiocy
ABE	acute bacterial endocarditis	AGG	agammaglobulinemia
ABS	acute brain syndrome	AGL	acute granulocytic leukemia
ACA	adenocarcinoma	AGN	acute glomerulonephritis
ACD	arteriosclerotic coronary disease; absolute cardiac dullness	AGS	adrenogenital syndrome
ACH	adrenal cortical hormone	AHA	acquired hemolytic anemia; autoimmune hemolytic anemia
ACT	acute coronary thrombosis	AHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease
ACTH	adrenocorticotrophic hormone	AHHD	arteriosclerotic hypertensive heart disease
ACVD	arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease	AHG	anti-hemophilic globulin deficiency
AD	auris dextra (right ear); addiction, drug; adenoidal degeneration; atrio dextro (rt. atrium)	AHLE	acute hemorrhagic leukoencephalitis
ADEM	acute disseminated encephalomyelitis	AI	aortic insufficiency; additional information

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

AIDS	acquired immunodeficiency syndrome	AR	aortic regurgitation
AKA	above knee amputation	ARC	AIDS-related complex
ALL	acute lymphocytic leukemia	ARF	acute respiratory failure
ALS	amyotrophic lateral sclerosis	ARM	artificial rupture of membranes
AMI	acute myocardial infarction	ARV	AIDS-related virus
AML	acute myelocytic leukemia	AS	arteriosclerotic; arteriosclerosis; aortic stenosis; auris sinistra (left ear)
ANS	arteriolonephrosclerosis	ASA	acetylsalicylic acid (aspirin)
AOD	arterial occlusive disease	ASAD	arteriosclerotic artery disease
AODM	adult onset diabetes mellitus	ASCD	arteriosclerotic coronary disease
AOM	acute otitis media	ASCHD	arteriosclerotic coronary heart disease
AP	angina pectoris; anterior and posterior repair; artificial pneumothorax; anterior pituitary	ASCVA	arteriosclerotic cerebrovascular accident
A&P	anterior and posterior repair	ASCVD	arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease
APC	auricular premature contraction; Acetylsalicylic acid, Acetophenetidin, and Caffeine ASCVRD	ASCVHD	arteriosclerotic cardiovascular heart disease
APE	acute pulmonary edema; anterior pituitary extract		arteriosclerotic cardiovascular renal disease
APH	antepartum hemorrhage	ASD	atrial septal defect

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

ASDHD	arteriosclerotic decompensated heart disease	AUL	acute undifferentiated leukemia
ASHCVD	arteriosclerotic hypertensive cardiovascular disease	AV	arteriovenous; auriculoventricular; aortic valve
ASHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease; atrioseptal heart defect	AVF	arterio-ventricular fibrillation; arteriovenous fistula
ASHHD	arteriosclerotic hypertensive heart disease	AVH	acute viral hepatitis
ASHVD	arteriosclerotic hypertensive vascular disease	AVP	aortic valve prosthesis
ASO	arteriosclerosis obliterans	AVR	aortic valve replacement
ASPVD	arteriosclerotic peripheral vascular disease	AWMI	anterior wall myocardial infarction
ASVD	arteriosclerotic vascular disease asthma; basilar artery	AZT	azidothymidine
ASVH(D)	arteriosclerotic vascular heart disease	BA	basilararteriogram; bronchial
ATC	all-terrain cycle	B&B	bronchoscopy and biopsy
ATN	acute tubular necrosis	BBB	bundle branch block
ATS	anxiety tension state; anti-tetanus serum; arteriosclerosis	B&C	biopsy and cauterization
ATSHD	arteriosclerotic heart disease	BCE	basal cell epithelioma
ATV	all-terrain vehicle	BE	barium enema
AU	aures unitas (both ears)	BEH	benign essential hypertension
		B GL	Bartholin's gland

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

BKA	below knee amputation	BX	biopsy
BL	bladder; bucolingual; blood loss; Burkitt's lymphoma	BX CX	biopsy cervix
BMR	basal metabolism rate	<u> </u> c	with
BNA	Bladder neck adhesions	Ca	cancer
BNO	bladder neck obstruction	CA	cancer; carotid arteriogram; cardiac arrest
BOMSA	bilateral otitis media serous acute	CAD	coronary artery disease
BOMSC	bilateral otitis media serous chronic	CAG	chronic atrophic gastritis
BOW	"bag of water" (membrane)	CAO	coronary artery occlusion; chronic airway obstruction
B/P, BP	blood pressure	CAS	cerebral arteriosclerosis
BPH	benign prostate hypertrophy	CASCVD	chronic arteriosclerotic cardio- vascular disease
BSA	body surface area	CB	chronic bronchitis
BSO	bilateral salpingo-oophorectomy	CBC	complete blood count
BSP	Bromosulfaphthalein test	CBD	common bile duct
BTL	bilateral tubal ligation	CBS	chronic brain syndrome
BUN	blood, urea, and nitrogen test	CCF	chronic congestive failure
BVL	bilateral vas ligation	CCI	chronic cardiac or coronary insufficiency
B&W	Baldy-Webster suspension (uterine)		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

CDE	common duct exploration	CMID	cytomegalic inclusion disease
CDH	congenital dislocation hip	CML	chronic myelocytic leukemia
CF	congestive failure; compliment fixation test; cystic fibrosis; Christmas factor (PTC)	CMM	cutaneous malignant melanoma
CFT	chronic follicular tonsillitis	CMV	cytomegalic virus
CGN	chronic glomerulonephritis	CNHD	congenital nonspherocytic hemolytic disease
CHA	congenital hypoplastic anemia	CNS	central nervous system
CHB	complete heart block	CO	carbon monoxide
CHD	congestive heart disease; coronary heart disease; Chediak-Higaski Disease; congenital heart disease	COAD	chronic obstructive airway disease
CHF	congestive heart failure	CO ₂	carbon dioxide
C ₂ H ₅ OH	ethyl alcohol	COBE	chronic obstructive bullous emphysema
CI	cardiac insufficiency; cerebral infarction	COBS	chronic organic brain syndrome
CID	cytomegalic inclusion disease	COFS	cerebro-oculo-facio-skeletal
CIS	carcinoma in situ	COOMBS	test for Rh sensitivity
CLD	chronic lung disease; chronic liver disease	COLD	chronic obstructive lung disease
CLL	chronic lymphatic leukemia; chronic lymphocytic leukemia	COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

COPE	chronic obstructive pulmonary emphysema	CT	cerebral thrombosis; coronary thrombosis
CP	cerebral palsy; cor pulmonale	CTD	congenital thymic dysplasia
C&P	cystoscopy and pyelography	CU	cause unknown
CPB	cardiopulmonary bypass	CUC	chronic ulcerative colitis
CPC	chronic passive congestion	CUP	cystoscopy, urogram, pyelogram (retro)
CPD	cephalopelvic disproportion; contagious pustular dermatitis	CUR	cystocele, urethrocele, rectocele
CPE	chronic pulmonary emphysema	CV	cardiovascular; cerebrovascular
CRD	chronic renal disease	CVA	cerebral vascular accident
CRF	cardiorespiratory failure; chronic renal failure	CV Accident	cerebral vascular accident
CRST	calcinosis cutis, Raynaud's phenomenon, sclerodactyly, and telangiectasis	CVD	cardiovascular disease
CS	coronary sclerosis; cesarean section; cerebro-spinal	CVHD	cardiovascular heart disease
CSF	cerebral spinal fluid	CVI	cardiovascular insufficiency; cerebral vascular insufficiency
CSH	chronic subdural hematoma	CVRD	cardiovascular renal disease
CSM	cerebrospinal meningitis	CWP	coal worker's pneumoconiosis
		CX	cervix

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

DA	degenerative arthritis	DR	diabetic retinopathy
DBI	Phenformin hydrochloride	DS	Down's syndrome
D&C	dilation and curettage	DT	due to; delirium tremens
DCR	dacrocystorhinostomy	D/T	delirium tremens; due to
D&D	drilling and drainage; debridement and dressing	DU	diagnosis unknown; duodenal ulcer
D&E	dilation and evacuation	DUB	dysfunctional uterine bleeding
DFU	dead fetus in utero	DUI	driving under influence
DIC	disseminated intravascular coagulation	DVT	deep vein thrombosis
DILD	diffuse infiltrative lung disease	DWI	driving while intoxicated
DIP	distal interphalangeal joint; desquamative interstitial pneumonia	DX	dislocation; diagnosis; disease
DJD	degenerative joint disease	EBV	Epstein-Barr virus
DM	diabetes mellitus	ECCE	extracapsular cataract extraction
DMT	dimethyltriptamine	ECG	electrocardiogram
DOA	dead on arrival	ECT	electric convulsive therapy
DOPS	diffuse obstructive pulmonary syndrome	EDC	expected date of confinement
DPT	diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus vaccine	EEE	Eastern equine encephalitis
		EEG	electroencephalogram

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

EFE	endocardial fibroelastosis	EST	electric shock therapy
EGL	eosinophilic granuloma of lung	ETOH	alcohol
EH	enlarged heart; essential hypertension	EUA	exam under anesthesia
EIOA	excessive intake of alcohol	EWB	estrogen withdrawal bleeding
EKC	epidemic keratoconjunctivitis	FB	foreign body
EKG	electrocardiogram	FBS	fasting blood sugar
EKP	epikeratoprosthesis	Fe	symbol for iron
ELF	elective low forceps	FGD	fatal granulomatous disease
EMC	encephalomyocarditis	FHS	fetal heart sounds
EMD	electromechanical dissociation	FHT	fetal heart tone
EMF	endomyocardial fibrosis	FLSA	follicular lymphosarcoma
EMG	electromyogram	FME	full-mouth extraction
EN	erythema nodosum	FS	frozen section; fracture site
ENT	ear, nose, and throat	FT	full term
EP	ectopic pregnancy	FTA	fluorescent Treponemal antibody test
ER	emergency room	5FU	Fluorouracil
ERS	evacuation of retained secundines	FUB	functional uterine bleeding

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

FULG	fulguration	HA	headache
FUO	fever unknown origin	HAA	hepatitis associated antigen
FX	fracture	HASCVR	hypertensive arteriosclerotic cardiovascular renal disease
FYI	for your information	HASVD	hypertensive arteriosclerotic vascular disease
GAS	generalized arteriosclerosis	HB	hemoglobin; heart block
GB	gallbladder; Guillain-Barre syndrome	HBP	high blood pressure
GC	gonococcus; gonorrhea; general circulation (systemic)	HC	Huntington's chorea
GI	gastrointestinal	HCT	hematocrit
GIT	gastrointestinal tract	HCVD	hypertensive cardiovascular disease
GOK	God only knows	HCVRD	hypertensive cardiovascular renal disease
GSW	gunshot wound	HD	Hodgkin's disease; heart disease
GTT	glucose tolerance test	HDN	hemolytic disease of newborn
gtt	drop	HDS	herniated disc syndrome
GU	genitourinary; gastric ulcer	HF	heart failure; hayfever
GVHR	graft versus host reaction	HGB; Hgb	hemoglobin
GYN	gynecology		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

HHD	hypertensive heart disease	ICCE	intracapsular cataract extraction
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus	ICD	intrauterine contraceptive device
HMD	hyaline membrane disease	I&D	infectious disease; incision and drainage
HN ₂	Nitrogen Mustard	IDA	incision and drainage
HNP	herniated nucleus pulposus	IDA	iron deficiency anemia
H/O	history of	IH	infectious hepatitis
HPN	hypertension	IHD	ischemic heart disease
HPVD	hypertensive pulmonary vascular disease	IHSS	idiopathic hypertrophic subaortic stenosis
HRE	high-resolution electrocardiology	ILD	ischemic leg disease
HS	herpes simplex; Hurler's syndrome	IM	intramuscular; intramedullary; infectious mononucleosis
HTLV-III/LAV	human T-cell lymphotropic virus-III/lymphadenopathy-associated virus	IMPP	intermittent positive pressure
HTLV-3	human T-cell lymphotropic virus - III	INAD	infantile neuroaxonal dystrophy
HTLV-III	human T-cell lymphotropic virus - III	INC	incomplete
HVD	hypertensive vascular disease	INE	infantile necrotizing encephalomyopathy
Hx	history of	INF	infection; infected; infantile; infarction
IADH	inappropriate antidiuretic hormone	INH	Isoniazid; inhalation
IASD	interatrial septal defect		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

INS	idiopathic nephrotic syndrome	IVP	intravenous pyelogram
IO	intestinal obstruction	IVSD	intraventricular septal defect
IOH	idiopathic orthostatic hypotension	IVU	intravenous urethrography
IPD	inflammatory pelvic disease	IWMI	inferior wall myocardial infarction
IPP	intermittent positive pressure	JBE	Japanese B encephalitis
IRDS	idiopathic respiratory distress syndrome	KFS	Klippel-Feil syndrome
IRHD	inactive rheumatic heart disease	KS	Klinefelter's syndrome
ISD	interatrial septal defect	KUB	kidney, ureter, bladder
ITP	idiopathic thrombocytopenic purpura	K-W	Kimmelstiel-Wilson disease or syndrome
IU	intrauterine	LAP	laparotomy
IUCD	intrauterine contraceptive device	LAV	lymphadenopathy-associated virus
IUD	intrauterine device (contraceptive); intrauterine death	LAV/HTLV-III	lymphadenopathy-associated virus/Human T-cell lymphotropic virus-III
IUP	intrauterine pregnancy	LBBB	left bundle branch block
IVC	intravenous cholangiography; inferior vena cava	LBNA	lysis bladder neck adhesions
IVCC	intravascular consumption coagulopathy	LBW	low birth weight
IVD	intervertebral disc	LBWI	low birth weight infant
IVH	intraventricular hemorrhage	LCA	left coronary artery

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

LDH	lactic dehydrogenase	LSK	liver, spleen, kidney
LE	lupus erythematosus; lower extremity; left eye	LSO	left salpingo-oophorectomy
LKS	liver, kidney, spleen	LTB	laryngotracheobronchitis
LLL	left lower lobe	LUL	left upper lobe
LMA	left mentoanterior (position of fetus)	LVF	left ventricular failure
LMCAT	left middle cerebral artery thrombosis	LVH	left ventricular hypertrophy
LML	left mesiolateral; left mediolateral (episiotomy)	MBD	minimal brain damage
LMP	last menstrual period; left mento- posterior (position of fetus)	MD	muscular dystrophy; manic depressive; myocardial damage
LN	lupus nephritis	MDA	methylene dioxyamphetamine
LOA	left occipitoanterior	MEA	multiple endocrine adenomatosis
LOMCS	left otitis media chronic serous	MF	myocardial failure; myocardial fibrosis; mycosis fungoides
LP	lumbar puncture	MGN	membranous glomerulonephritis
LRI	lower respiratory infection	MHN	massive hepatic necrosis
LS	lumbosacral; lymphosarcoma	MI	myocardial infarction; mitral insufficiency
LSD	lysergic acid diethylamide	MID	multi-infarct dementia
		MLC	myelomonocytic leukemia, chronic

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

MM	malignant melanoma; multiple myeloma	NPD	Niemann-Pick disease
MMOA	mandible, maxillary, odontectomy, alveolectomy	NSD	normal spontaneous delivery; nonsurgical delivery
MOD	mode of death; moment of death resection	NSR	normal sinus rhythm; nasal submucous
MPC	meperidine, promethazine, chlorpromazine	NTG	nontoxic goiter
MS	mitral stenosis; multiple sclerosis	NTN	nephrotoxic nephritis
MT	malignant teratoma	N&V	nausea and vomiting
MUA	myelogram	NVD	nausea, vomiting, diarrhea
MVR	mitral valve regurgitation	OA	osteoarthritis
NACD	no anatomical cause of death	OAD	obstructive airway disease
NCA	neurocirculatory asthenia	OB	obstetrical
NDI	nephrogenic diabetes insipidus	OBS	organic brain syndrome
NFI	no further information	OBST	obstetrical
NFTD	normal full-term delivery	OD	oculus dexter (right eye); overdose; occupational disease
NH ₃	symbol for ammonia	OHD	organic heart disease
NMI	no more information		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

OM	otitis media	Pb	chemical symbol for lead
OMI	old myocardial infarction	PCD	polycystic disease
OMS	organic mental syndrome	PCF	passive congestive failure
ORIF	open reduction, internal fixation	PCP	pentachlorophenol; pneumocystis carinii pneumonia
OS	oculus sinister (left eye); occipitosacral (fetal position)	PCT	porphyria cutanea tarda
OT	occupational therapy; old TB	PCV	polycythemia vera
OU	culus uterque (each eye); both eyes	PDA	patent ductus arteriosus
PA	pericious anemia; paralysis agitans; pulmonary artery; peripheral arterio- sclerosis	PE	pulmonary embolism; pleural effusion; pulmonary edema
PAC	premature auricular contraction; phenacetin, aspirin, caffeine	PEG	pneumoencephalography
PAF	paroxysmal auricular fibrillation	PET	pre-eclamptic toxemia
PAOD	peripheral arterial occlusive disease; peripheral arteriosclerosis occlusive disease	PG	pregnant; prostaglandin
PAP	primary atypical pneumonia	PGH	pituitary growth hormone
PAS	pulmonary artery stenosis	PH	past history; prostatic hyertrophy; pulmonary hypertension
PAT	pregnancy at term; paroxysmal auricular tachycardia	PI	pulmonary infarction

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

PID	pelvic inflammatory disease; pro- lapsed intervertebral disc	PPLO	pleuropneumonia-like organism
PIE	pulmonary interstitial emphysema	PPS	postpump syndrome
PIP	proximal interphalangeal joint	PPT	precipitated; prolonged prothrombin time
PKU	phenylketonuria	PROM	premature rupture of membranes
PMD	progressive muscular dystrophy	PT	paroxysmal tachycardia; pneumothorax; prothrombin time
PMI	posterior myocardial infarction; point of maximum impulse	PTA	prior to admission; persistent truncus arteriosus
PN	periarteritis nodosa; pneumonia; pyelonephritis	PTC	plasma thromboplastin component
PO	postoperative	PU	peptic ulcer
POC	product of conception	PUD	peptic ulcer disease; pulmonary disease
POE	point (or portal) of entry	PUO	pyrexia of unknown origin
PP	postpartum	P&V	pyloroplasty and vagotomy
PPD	purified protein derivative test for tuberculosis	PVC	premature ventricular contraction
PPH	postpartum hemorrhage	PVD	peripheral vascular disease; pulmonary vascular disease
		PVI	peripheral vascular insufficiency

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

PVT	paroxysmal ventricular tachycardia	RE	regional enteritis		
PVS	premature ventricular systole (contraction) radioencephalogram		R	E	G
PWI	posterior wall infarction	RF	rheumatic fever		
PWMI	posterior wall myocardial infarction	RHD	rheumatic heart disease		
PX	pneumothorax	RLF	retrolental fibroplasia		
R	right	RLL	right lower lobe		
RA	rheumatoid arthritis; right atrium; right auricle	RMCA	right middle cerebral artery		
RAD	radiation absorbed dose	RMCAT	right middle cerebral artery thrombosis		
RAI	radioactive iodine	RMLE	right mediolateral episiotomy		
RBBB	right bundle branch block	RNA	ribonucleic acid		
RBC	red blood cells	RND	radical neck dissection		
RCA	right coronary artery	R/O	rule out		
RCS	reticulum cell sarcoma	RSA	reticulum cell sarcoma		
RD	Raynaud's disease; respiratory disease	RSR	regular sinus rhythm		
RDS	respiratory distress syndrome	Rt	right		
		RT	recreational therapy; right		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

RTA	renal tubular acidosis	SDII	sudden death in infancy
RV	right ventricle	SDS	sudden death syndrome
RVH	right ventricular hypertrophy	SF	scarlet fever
RVT	renal vein thrombosis	SGA	small for gestational age
RX	drugs <u>or</u> other therapy <u>or</u> treatment	SH	serum hepatitis
\bar{s}	without	SI	saline injection
SA	sarcoma; secondary anemia	SIADH	syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone
SACD	subacute combined degeneration	SICD	sudden infant crib death
SBE	subacute bacterial endocarditis	SID	sudden infant death
SBO	small bowel obstruction	SIDS	sudden infant death syndrome
SC	sickle cell	SLC	short leg cast
SCC	squamous cell carcinoma	SLE	systemic lupus erythematosus; Saint Louis encephalitis
SCI	Subcoma insulin; spinal cord injury	SMR	submucous resection
SD	spontaneous delivery; septal defect; sudden death	SNB	scalene node biopsy
SDAT	senile dementia, Alzheimer's type SO or S&O salpingo-oophorectomy		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

SOB	shortness of breath	SUD	sudden unexpected death
SOM	secretory otitis media	SUID	sudden unexpected infant death
SOR	suppurative otitis, recurrent	SVC	superior vena cava
S/P	status post	SVD	spontaneous vaginal delivery
SPD	sociopathic personality disturbance	Sx	symptoms
SPP	suprapubic prostatectomy	T&A	tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy
SQ	subcutaneous	TAH	total abdominal hysterectomy
S/R	schizophrenic reaction; sinus rhythm	TAL	tendon achilles lengthening
S/p P/T	schizophrenic reaction, paranoid type thromboangiitis obliterans	TAO	Triacetyloleandomycin (antibiotic);
SSE	soapsuds enema	TAPVR	total anomalous pulmonary venous return
SSKI	saturated solution potassium iodide	TAR	thrombocytopenia absent radius (syndrome)
SSPE	subacute sclerosing panencephalitis	TAT	tetanus anti-toxin
STB	stillborn	TB	tuberculosis; tracheobronchitis
STS	serological test for syphilis	TBC, Tbc	tuberculosis
STSG	split thickness skin graft	TBLC	term birth living child
SUBQ	subcutaneous		

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

TCI	transient cerebral ischemia	TUR	transurethral resection (NOS) (prostate)
TEF	tracheo-esophageal fistula	TURP	transurethral resection of prostate
TF	tetralogy of Fallot	TVP	total anomalous venous return
TGV	transposition great vessels	UC	ulcerative colitis
TI	tricuspid insufficiency	UP	ureteropelvic
TIA	transient ischemic attack	UPJ	ureteropelvic junction
TIE	transient ischemic episode	URI	upper respiratory infection
TL	tubal ligation	UTI	urinary tract infection
TM	tympanic membrane	VAMP	vincristine, amethopterine, 6-mercaptopurine, and prednisone
TOA	tubo-ovarian abscess	VB	vinblastine
TP	thrombocytopenic purpura	VC	vincristine
TSD	Tay-Sachs disease	VD	venereal disease
TTP	thrombotic thrombocytopenic purpura	VDRL	venereal disease research lab
TUI	transurethral incision	VEE	Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis

ABBREVIATIONS - continued

VF	ventricular fibrillation	#	fracture
VH	vaginal hysterectomy; viral hepatitis	'	minute
VL	vas ligation	"	second(s)
VM	viomycin	↓	decreased
V&P	vagotomy and pyloroplasty	↑	increased; elevated
VPC	ventricular premature contractions		
VR	valve replacement	— s	without
VSD	ventricular septal defect		
VT	ventricular tachycardia	$\frac{00}{11}$	secondary to
WBC	white blood cell		
WC	whooping cough	$\frac{00}{11}$ to	secondary to
WE	Western encephalomyelitis		
WPW	Wolfe-Parkinson-White syndrome		
YF	yellow fever		
ZE	Zollinger-Ellison (syndrome)		