

Follow-up Reports:

Sample Oncology Follow-up Report:

This 46-year-old female presents today for a follow-up examination. The patient is one year post lumpectomy plus adjuvant radiation for a Stage IA carcinoma of left breast. She has been on Tamoxifen therapy for 1 year and is tolerating the medication well with no significant side-effects. Energy and appetite levels are normal. The patient is doing well and has no complaints.

No lymphadenopathy is appreciated in the axillary, supraclavicular, infraclavicular or cervical area. Examination of the left breast reveals a 3 cm scar in the lower left quadrant. No masses are appreciated on palpation. There is no erythema, and no tenderness or swelling. Examination of the right breast is unremarkable. Auscultation of the heart and lungs reveals no abnormality. The abdomen is soft and non-tender, with no masses and no organomegaly.

Mammogram performed on June 06 was negative bilaterally.

This patient is NED and doing well 1 year post treatment. There are no signs of disease recurrence. She will continue with her Tamoxifen and will return for follow-up in 1 year's time.

Analysis of this Report:

The first paragraph is an introduction and states:

- a) The purpose of the visit
- b) The patient's medical history regarding the problem for which she is to be assessed, including staging, treatment, and response to treatment.
- c) The patient's general condition including and complaints she may report.

The second paragraph describes findings on physical examination:

- a) Absence or presence of any suspicious (enlarged) lymph nodes, particularly in areas where this is likely to occur with the type of disease the patient has.
- b) Detailed description of the area that has been affected by disease.
- c) Findings on auscultation of the chest (listening with a stethoscope)
- d) Findings on palpation of the abdomen.
- e) Other examinations performed would also be described in this section.

The third paragraph describes:

- a) The results of any recent investigations such as scans, blood test, x-rays, or other.

The final paragraph is a summary and includes:

- a) The physician's overall impression of the patient's condition
- b) Assessment of presence or absence of disease recurrence
- c) The treatment plan for this patient, including time of next follow-up visit.