

Responses for Documentation Exercise

Case 1:

The photograph below was taken of a fifteen-year-old female who reported that she was sexually assaulted by a "friend" after a party. You have already taken her history. How would you document these findings?



The patient is in the lithotomy position with the apex (anterior) introitus at 12:00 and the anus at 6:00. The posterior introitus appears slightly deviated towards the 5 o'clock position. There is a small amount of white discharge present.

At midline (center of clock), there is a concave red circular area 3.0 cm diameter at the posterior fourchette. There is a 0.8 cm laceration at the center of the circular area (2.5 cm from the posterior introitus). There is marked edema of the labia minora at 8 o'clock. Below the edematous area there is a laceration of the perineum at 8 o'clock measuring 2 cm in length. There is a 0.5 cm laceration of the perineum at 5-6 o'clock. There is mild erythema at the midline 2.5 cm from the anus. There is mild erythema superior to the anus at 6:00.

OR

With the patient in the lithotomy position an erythematous area was noted at the posterior fourchette measuring 3cm x 3cm. Lacerations noted at the 6, 8 and 9 o'clock regions of the erythematous area, and the center of this same region appears slightly concave. Edema is noted at 8 o'clock (right) labia minora in the lower region extending into the vestibule. There is a white substance noted at the entrance of the vagina.

Case 2: The photograph below was taken of a 13-year-old female who was seen one day after being assaulted. How would you document these findings?



The patient is in the lithotomy position. 12:00 is the apex of the labia minora. The left labia minora is dark beefy red, grossly edematous, teardrop shape measuring 5.0 cm in length, 2.0 cm wide anteriorly (1:00) and 4.0 cm wide at the midline (3:00).

There is white/gray exudate of the right labia minora and majora. Ad-jacent to this gray exudate there is an area that is abraded.

The labia majora are markedly edematous (left greater than right) with diffuse petechiae (right greater than left).

OR

Labia majora ecchymotic with petechiae noted. Labia minora fiery red with edema. Left labia 8cm x 4cm at greatest width. 2cm laceration noted @ 8 o'clock R labia with gray colored secretions noted. 2 x 3cm gray colored area noted below labia.

NOTE: You would also include the magnification!