Food Producing Animal, Equine, and Poultry Medical Records SELF-ASSESSMENT FORM



Case type:	File identifier:
Date of specific visit(s) under review:	
Name of individual/team completing this self-assessme	ent:
Date of self-assessment:	

Component	Present?	Complete?	Easy to Find?	Comments Could be Improved? ☑
IDENTIFICATION	1	1	1	
 Patient Identification (a) Individual identification (name, tattoo, ear-tag number, or colour/markings, or distinguishing physical features), species¹, sex², and breed is on file. (b) Group identification (identified by location if applicable, e.g. barn, pen) (c) Patient name or ID is on every page of the record. 				
 2. Client(s) Identification (a) Client name, address, phone numbers, and alternate methods of contact for each is on file. (b) Address/location of patient(s) if different from address of client. (c) Client name or ID is on every page of the record. 				
3. Emergency contact Name, and phone numbers of an emergency contact authorized to act as an agent for the owner is on file.				
DATES				
4. Each entry in the medical record is dated.				

¹ Type of species is required for Poultry records.

² Sex of the animal is not required for Poultry records.

HISTORY – SUBJECTIVE DATA	
5. Description of the presenting complaint is captured.	
6. Description of general health history/body systems review is noted.	
7. Vaccine history (vaccine record) is present.	
ASSESSMENT – OBJECTIVE DATA	
 8. Physical Exam Findings (a) Physical exam findings are written out, or contained in a template or protocol (more than NSF or NAF is recorded). 	
(b) Problem list is present.	
(c) Differential diagnoses are present.	
(d) Tentative or final diagnosis is present.	
9. Diagnostic test and laboratory results are present.	
10. Diagnostic test result interpretation is present.	
MEDICAL TREATMENT	
11. Drugs Administered Names, strengths, doses, and routes of drugs administered are recorded.	
12. Drugs Dispensed or Prescribed Names, strengths, quantities, doses, and directions for use (including route) of drugs dispensed or prescribed are recorded.	
 13. Vaccines Administered (a) Vaccination type and details (manufacturer, serial number) are recorded. (b) Route of vaccination is recorded. 	
14. Withholding time is documented and indication that client was advised of withholding time.	
15. Fluid Therapy Type, route, rate, and total amount of fluid therapy is recorded.	

SURGICAL TREATMENT AND ANESTHETIC NOTES/PROTOCOLS				
16. Surgical Notes (Surgical treatment details are recorded in progress notes or a protocol and include the approach used, findings, and type of repair.				
17. Anesthetic Notes Anesthetic details are recorded.				
 18. Surgical and Anesthetic Logs³ are maintained separately or in combination. Date of the procedure; name of the client; the breed, age, sex, estimated weight and identity of the animal; the nature of the procedures performed; pre- and post-procedure condition of the animal; the name, dose, and route of administration of all anesthetic agents; the name of the surgeon; and the time taken to perform the procedure are recorded. 				
INFORMED CLIENT CONSENT				
19. Consent is documented (written or verbal).				
20. Refusal of treatment is documented.				
21. Estimates for procedures are documented on consent form, in progress notes, or itemized estimate.				
PROFESSIONAL ADVICE AND CLIENT COMMUNICATION				
22. Description of the advice given is documented.				
23. To whom the advice was provided (e.g. owner, other) is documented.				
24. Mode of communication (e.g. phone, email, voicemail) is documented.				
REPORTS, INVOICES				
25. Copies of all non-diagnostic/non- laboratory reports are present.				
26. Invoices note the itemized list of drugs and services provided.				
27. Invoices reflect the recommendation(s) and/or care or services provided.				

³ Not applicable to poultry records.

RADIOGRAPHS ⁴	
28. Radiographs Radiographs are permanently identified with: name of veterinarian and/or facility, identification of the animal, the date of the radiograph, indication of left or right side of the animal, and indication of time for sequential studies.	
29. Radiographic logs Radiographic logs include the date each radiographic is taken, identification of the animal and the client, area of the body exposed to the radiograph, number of radiographic views, and radiographic setting.	
CONTROLLED DRUG LOGS	
30. Controlled drug logs include:(a) The date the controlled substance is dispensed or administered.	
(b) The name and address of the client.	
(c) The name, strength, and quantity of the controlled substance dispensed or administered.	
(d) The quantity of the controlled substance remaining in the members' inventory after the controlled substance is dispensed or administered.	

⁴ Not applicable to poultry records.

Component	Yes	No	N/A	Comments Could be Improved? ☑
GENERAL	GENERAL			
31. Master Problem List or Cumulative Patient Profile is maintained and up- to-date.				
32. The record content is legible.				
33. The components of the record are organized in a logical manner and are easy to find.				
34. Changes are noted so the original entry is still legible (even if records are electronic). i.e. audit trail.				
35. Each entry is identified by a signature or initials.				
36. Records are retained for 5 years after the date of the last entry.				
37. A Records Security Protocol is in place and staff are trained.				
38. A policy on Privacy and Personal Information Protection is visible to clients and understood by staff.				
39. A procedure is in place for the transfer of medical information.				

Assessment Outcome

As a result of this exercise, I/we have discovered or decided the following:

Areas for Improvement in Record Keeping	Strategies for Improvement
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.