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Acronym Protocol

When completing a GCMCA run record, the EMS provider documenting the run must ensure that no acronyms are used unless they are on the following list:

♂	Female
♀	Male
AAA	Abdominal Aortic Aneurism
A/O	Alert and Oriented
AAOx3	Awake, Alert, Oriented x 3 [person/place/time]
AC	AnteCubital vein or fossa (IV)
ACLS	Advanced Cardiac Life Support
AED	Automated External Defibrillator
AFC	Adult Foster Care
AICD	Automatic Implanted Cardioverter/Defibrillator
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
ALS	Advanced Life Support
AMA	Against Medical Advice
AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction
AOS	Arrived On Scene
ARDS	Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome
ASHD	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
ATF	Arrived to Find
B/P	Blood Pressure
BBB	Bundle Branch Block
BCLS	Basic Cardiac Life Support
BGL	Blood Glucose Level
BLS	Basic Life Support
BP	Blood Pressure
BSI	Body Substance Isolation
BVM	Bag Valve Mask (Ambu Bag (tm))
C(line over)	With
C/O	Complains Of
C/P	Chest Pain
CA	Cancer
CABG	Coronary Arterial Bypass Graft
CAD	Coronary Artery Disease
CC	Chief Complaint
CCU	Cardiac Care Unit
CDC	Center for Disease Control

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CHF	Congestive Heart Failure
CNS	Central Nervous System
CO	carbon monoxide
COPD	Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease
CP	Chest Pain
CPAP	Continuous Positive Airway Pressure
CPR	Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
CRF	Chronis Renal Failure
CSF	Cerebral Spinal Fluid
CVA	Cerebro-vascular Accident
CXR	Chest X-Ray
D5W	Dextrose 5% in Water (IV)
DC	Disconnect/Discontinue
DIB	Difficulty in Breathing
DJD	Degenerative Joint Disease
DM	Diabetic Mellitus
DNR	Do Not Resuscitate
DOA	Dead On Arrival
DOB	Date Of Birth
DUI	Driving Under the Influence
DVT	Deep Vein Thrombosis
DWI	Driving While Impaired/Intoxicated
Dx	Diagnosis
ECF	Extended Care Facility
ECG	Electro CardioGram
ED	Emergency Department
EEG	ElectroEncephaloGram
EENT	Ears, Eyes, Nose And Throat
EJ	External Jugular (IV)
EKG	ElectroCardioGram (old, from German ElectroKardioGram)
EMD	Emergency Medical Dispatcher
EMS	Emergency Medical Services
EMT	Emergency Medical Technician
EPI	Epinephrine
ER	Emergency Room
ESRD	End Stage Renal Disease
ET	EndoTracheal (tube)
ETA	Estimated Time of Arrival
ETC	Endo-trachael Combitube
ETOH	Ethanol (Ethyl Alcohol)
ETT	EndoTracheal Tube

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FB	Foreign Body
FD	Fire Department
FF	Firefighter
Fx	Fracture
GCS	Glasgow Coma Scale
GOA	Gone on Arrival
GSW	Gunshot Wound
HBV	Hepatitis B Virus
HERN	Hospital Emergency Radio Network (HEAR is also acceptable)
HR	Heart Rate
HTN	Hypertension
Hx	History
IC	Incident Commander
ICU	Intensive Care Unit
ID	Identification / Identify
IDDM	Insulin Dependent Diabetic Mellitus
IV	Intravenous
JVD	Jugular Vein Distention
KED	Kedrick Extrication Device
KVO	Keep Veins Open
LE	Lower Extremities
LLQ	Left Lower Quadrant
LMA	Laryngeal Mask Airway
LMP	Last Menstrual Period
LOC	Level of Consciousness
LPM	Liters Per Minute (Oxygen)
LPN	Licensed Practical Nurse
LR	Lactated Ringers (IV solution)
LUQ	Left Upper Quadrant
LZ	Landing Zone (aeromedical)
MC	Medical Control
MCI	Mass Casualty Incident
MCP	Medical Control Physician
MD	Medical Doctor
MDI	metered dose inhalers
ME	Medical Examiner
MEI	Medical Examiner Investigator
MFR	Medical First Responder
MOI	Mechanism Of Injury
MRI	Magnetic Resonance Imaging
MVA	Motor Vehicle Accident

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MVC	Motor Vehicle Crash
NAD	No Apparent Distress (Interchangeable)
NC	Nasal Cannula
NKA	No Known Allergies
NKDA	No Known Drug Allergies
NP	Nurse Practitioner
NPA	Nasopharyngeal Airway
NPO	Nil per Mouth (Nothing by Mouth)
NRB	Non-ReBreathing (mask)
NS	Normal Saline (IV)
NSR	Normal Sinus Rhythm
NT	NasoTracheal
NTG	Nitroglycerin (Sublingual)
NVD	Neck Vein Distention
O (line through)	Negative / Absent
O (+ inside)	Positive / Present
O ₂	Oxygen
OD	Overdose
OLMC	On-Line Medical Control
OPA	Oropharyngeal Airway
OTC	Over The Counter
PA	Physician Assistant
PCR	Patient Care Record/Report
PD	Police Department
PDA	Property Damage Accident
PEA	Pulseless Electrical Activity (cardiac)
PI	Personal Injury Accident (MVA involving injuries)
PMH	Past Medical History
POV	Privately Owned Vehicle
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
PSH	Past Surgical History
PRN	As Needed
PT	Patient
PTCL	Protocol
RA	Rheumatoid Arthritis
RN	Registered Nurse
RSI	Rapid Sequence Induction
RUQ	Right Upper Quadrant
Rx	Prescription
S (line over)	Without
S/S	Signs and Symptoms

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SaO ₂	O ₂ Saturation (pulse oximetry)
SCBA	Self Contained Breathing Apparatus
SIDS	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome
SL	Sublingual
SSN	Social Security Number
SVT	Supraventricular Tachycardia
Sx	Suction
Sz	Seizure
TIA	Transient Ischemic Attack
T&R	Treat and Release
TOT	Turned Over To
Tx	Treatment
Txp	Transport
URI	Upper Respiratory Infection
UTI	Urinary Tract Infection
UTO	Unable To Obtain
V-fib	Ventricular Fibrillation
V-tach	Ventricular Tachycardia
Y/O	year-old