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STUDENT POLICIES

COMMONLY USED ABBREVIATIONS

<u>ABBREVIATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>	<u>ABBREVIATION</u>	<u>TERM</u>
a.c.	before meals	MVA	motor vehicle accident
ad lib	as desired	THA	total hip arthroplasty
ADL	activities of daily living	AKA	above knee amputation
b.i.d. (bid)	twice daily	BKA	below knee amputation
BM	bowel movement	AE	adaptive equipment
BP	blood pressure	RA	rheumatoid arthritis
c	with	DJD	degenerative joint disease
CA	cancer	RSD	reflex sympathetic dystrophy
CAT	Computerized tomography scan	TIA	transient ischemic attack
c/o	complains of	V/P	visual perceptual
CPR	cardiopulmonary resuscitation	DVT	deep vein thrombosis
CVA	cerebrovascular accident	TBI	traumatic brain injury
dc	discharge	SCI	spinal cord injury
Dx	diagnosis	CAD	coronary artery disease
Fx	fracture	CHF	congestive heart failure
HOH	hard of hearing	CABG	coronary artery bypass graft
Hx	history	HR	heart rate
I & O	intake and output	DNR	do not resuscitate
IV	intravenous	ACL	Allen cognitive level
L	left	THR	total hip replacement
LE	lower extremity	NWB	non weight bearing
MS	multiple sclerosis	S/P	status post
noc	at night		
NPO	nothing by mouth		
o.d.	daily		
OT	occupational therapy		
p	after		
PMH	prior medical history		
p.r.n. PRN	when necessary		
pt	patient		
PT	physical therapy		
R	right		
ROM	range of motion		
RT	respiratory therapy		
Rx	treatment		
s	without		
SOB	short of breath		
ST	speech therapy		
Sx	symptoms		
Tx	transfer		
UE	upper extremity		