Remote Health Abbreviations — Medical Terminology

A

Abdo	abdominal
AHW	Aboriginal Health Worker
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction
A/N	antenatal
AOM	Acute Otitis Media
ARF	acute renal failure
AF	Atrial Fibrillation
AWS	alcohol withdrawal scale

B

BCG	Bacillus Calmette Guerin
bd	twice daily
BF	breast fed
BGL	blood glucose level
BMI	body mass index
B/O	baby of
BP	blood pressure

C

CAPD	continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis
CCF	congestive cardiac failure
CNS	central nervous system
C/O	complaining of
COPD	chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
CPR	cardio-pulmonary resuscitation
CRF	chronic renal failure
CSOM	chronic suppurative otitis media
CVA	cerebro vascular accident
CVC	central venous catheter
CWMS	colour, warmth, movement, sensation
Cx	cervix
CXR	chest x ray

D

D/C	discharge
DDA	dangerous drug of addiction
DDx	differential diagnosis
DM	diabetes mellitus
DNW	did not well
DOB	date of birth
D & V	diarrhoea and vomiting
DVT	deep vein thrombosis
D/W	discussed with

E

ECG	electro cardiograph
Echo	echocardiogram
ENT	ear, nose and throat
ESRD	end stage renal disease

F

FB	foreign body
FH	Foetal heart
FTT	failure to thrive
F/U	follow up

G

GCS	Glasgow Coma Score
G	gravida
GA	general anaesthetic
GI	gastro intestinal
Gynae	gynaecology

H

Hb	haemoglobin
HD	Haemodialysis
HC	head circumference
HIV	human immunodeficiency virus
HNPU	has not passed urine
HPU	has passed urine
HR	heart rate
HRN	hospital registration number
HT	hypertension
Hypo	hypoglycaemia
Hx	history

I

I & O	inclusion and drainage
IDC	indwelling catheter
IDDM	Insulin dependent Diabetes Mellitus
IM (or IMI)	intramuscular (IM injection)
IUCD	intra uterine contraceptive device
IV	intravenous
IVC	intravenous cannula
IVI	intravenous injection
IVT	intravenous therapy

J

K

KVO	keep vein open