

MiniCEX: Acute Presentation: Breathlessness

Trainee:

Trainee GMC number:

Assessor:


Assessor GMC number:

Grade of assessor:

☐ Consultant ☐ SASG ☐ ST4-6 ☐ Other

Assessor email:

Date:

Case discussed (brief description):

	Expected behaviour	Successful / Unsuccessful
Initial approach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensures monitoring, iv access gained, O2 therapy Ensures vital signs are measured including SpO2 	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
History and information gathering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If patient able, trainee takes focused history of breathlessness including onset, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> severity duration frequency precipitating and relieving factors previous similar episodes associated symptoms Systematically explores for symptoms of life threatening causes of breathlessness Takes detailed respiratory history Specifically asks about medication and past medical history Seeks information from paramedics, relatives and past medical notes including previous chest x-rays and blood gases 	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Examination	On examination has ABCD approach with detailed cardiovascular and respiratory examination including, work of breathing, signs of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> respiratory distress detection of wheeze crepitations effusions areas of consolidation 	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Investigation	Ensures appropriate investigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ECG ABG FBC U&Es troponin and d dimer if indicated Chest x-ray Able to interpret chest x-ray correctly	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Clinical decision making and judgment	Able to formulate a full differential diagnosis and the most likely cause in this case Knows BTS guidelines for treatment of Asthma and PE	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Communication with patient, relatives, staff	Effectively communicates with both patient and colleagues	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Overall plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Able to prescribe appropriate medication including oxygen therapy, bronchodilators, GTN, diuretics Able to identify which patients would benefit from NIV 	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Professionalism	Stabilises and safely prepares the patient for further treatment and investigation	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful
Overall	<i>Auto-calculated from above outcomes.</i> <i>If all items are marked as Successful, this will rate Successful. Otherwise, will be rated as Unsuccessful.</i>	<input type="radio"/> Successful <input type="radio"/> Unsuccessful

Things done particularly well:

Learning points:

Action points:

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