Medical Terminology

Chapter 15 – Commonly Accepted Medical Abbreviations – These abbreviations are written as they appear most commonly in health care environments. Some may also appear in both capital and lowercase, with or without periods.

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| AD | Alzheimer’s Disease |  | CNS | central nervous system |
| CSF | cerebrospinal fluid |  | neuro | neurology |
| NICU | neurological intensive care unit |  | NVS | neurovital signs |
| PD | Parkinson’s Disease |  | PNS | peripheral nervous system |
| REM | rapid eye movement |  | TIA | transient ischemic attack |

Words

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| neuritis | electroencephalogram | hemiparesis |
| syncope | dysphasia | dementia |
| neuralgia | aphasia | meningitis |
| encephalitis | quadriplegia | psychosomatic |