

# Complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS)

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## REPORTING INFORMATION

(To be completed by the CPSP)

Report number: \_\_\_\_\_

Month of reporting: \_\_\_\_\_

Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following sections for the case identified above.  
Strict confidentiality of information will be assured.

### CASE DEFINITION FOR COMPLEX REGIONAL PAIN SYNDROME

Report any new patient presenting between the ages of 2 and 18 years of age (up to the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday) with a new diagnosis of CRPS, meeting the following criteria:

1. Continuing pain, which is disproportionate to any inciting event
2. Reports at least one symptom in at least three of the following four categories:
  - Sensory: hyperesthesia and/or allodynia
  - Vasomotor: temperature asymmetry and/or skin color changes and/or skin color asymmetry
  - Sudomotor/Edema: edema and/or sweating changes and/or sweating asymmetry
  - Motor/Trophic: decreased range of motion and/or motor dysfunction (weakness, tremor, dystonia) and/or trophic changes (hair, nail, skin)
3. Displays at least one sign at time of evaluation in at least two of the following four categories:
  - Sensory: hyperalgesia (to pinprick) and/or allodynia (to light touch and/or temperature sensation and/or deep somatic pressure and/or joint movement)
  - Vasomotor: temperature asymmetry (>1°C) and/or skin color changes and/or asymmetry
  - Sudomotor/Edema: edema and/or sweating changes and/or sweating asymmetry
  - Motor/Trophic: decreased range of motion and/or motor dysfunction (weakness, tremor, dystonia) and/or trophic changes (hair, nail, skin)

#### Exclusion criteria

There is no other diagnosis that better explains the signs and symptoms

Month first seen \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION 1 – DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

- 1.1 Date of birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YYYY)
- 1.2 Biological sex assigned at birth: Male\_\_\_ Female\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_
- 1.3 Patient's home postal code-first 3 digits \_\_\_\_ 1.4 Province/territory of diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.5 Population groups (check all that apply):
- |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arab   | <input type="checkbox"/> Black  | <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese   | <input type="checkbox"/> Korean   | <input type="checkbox"/> Latin American                        | <input type="checkbox"/> White                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> First Nations  | <input type="checkbox"/> Inuit  | <input type="checkbox"/> Métis                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast Asian<br>(e.g., Vietnamese,<br>Cambodian, Laotian) | <input type="checkbox"/> South Asian<br>(e.g., East Indian,<br>Pakistani, Sri Lankan) | <input type="checkbox"/> West Asian<br>(e.g., Iranian, Afghan) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify: _____ |

### SECTION 2 – CLINICAL PRESENTATION

- 2.1 Date of CRPS symptom onset: \_\_\_\_ (MM/YYYY) 2.2 Date of CRPS diagnosis: \_\_\_\_ (MM/YYYY)
- 2.3 Diagnosed by: General paediatrician\_\_\_ Pain clinic\_\_\_ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.4 Weight: \_\_\_\_kg 2.5 Height: \_\_\_\_cm 2.6 Menarche: Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Unknown\_\_\_ N/A\_\_\_
- 2.7 **CRPS Location:** Right\_\_\_ Left\_\_\_ Bilateral\_\_\_ Upper limb\_\_\_ Lower limb\_\_\_ Other, specify: \_\_\_\_\_
- 2.8 Patient's statement of pain intensity over the past week: Mild\_\_\_ Moderate\_\_\_ Severe\_\_\_
- 2.9 Inciting/triggering event: None\_\_\_ Trauma/Injury\_\_\_ Operation/Surgery\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_ Unknown\_\_\_  
Specify details (include date, if casted and type of surgery if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

(e.g., ankle twisted and stepped on in soccer, initially casted for possible growth plate injury but did not improve; had tendon release for club foot, new severe post-op pain did not resolve and features noted)

2.10 **Clinical signs and symptoms:**Symptom reported by patient:

		Yes	No	Unknown
Sensory:	Hyperesthesia	___	___	___
	Allodynia	___	___	___
Vasomotor:	Temperature asymmetry	___	___	___
	Skin colour changes	___	___	___
	Skin colour asymmetry	___	___	___
Sudomotor/Edema:	Edema	___	___	___
	Sweating changes	___	___	___
	Sweating asymmetry	___	___	___
Motor/Trophic:	Decreased range of motion	___	___	___
	Weakness	___	___	___
	Tremor	___	___	___
	Dystonia	___	___	___
	Trophic change-hair, skin, or nails	___	___	___
<u>Signs displayed at time of evaluation:</u>				
Sensory:	Hyperalgesia-pinprick	___	___	___
	Allodynia with light touch	___	___	___
	Allodynia with temperature sensation	___	___	___
	Allodynia with deep somatic pressure	___	___	___
	Allodynia-joint movement	___	___	___
Vasomotor:	Temperature asymmetry (>1°C)	___	___	___
	Skin colour changes	___	___	___
	Skin colour asymmetry	___	___	___
Sudomotor/Edema:	Edema	___	___	___
	Sweating changes	___	___	___
	Sweating asymmetry	___	___	___
Motor/Trophic:	Decreased range of motion	___	___	___
	Weakness	___	___	___
	Tremor	___	___	___
	Dystonia	___	___	___
	Trophic change-hair, skin, or nails	___	___	___

**SECTION 3 – PAIN IMPACT SINCE ONSET OF SYMPTOMS**

3.1 School missed: Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ N/A\_\_\_ Unknown\_\_\_

*If yes, how long? < 2 weeks\_\_\_ 2–4 weeks\_\_\_ 1–3 months\_\_\_ >3 months\_\_\_ Unknown\_\_\_*

3.2 Has the child enrolled in a home/cyber/online school as a result of pain? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ N/A\_\_\_ Unknown\_\_\_

3.3 Functional impact of symptoms on following (check all that apply): Impact on Physical activity\_\_\_ Sleep\_\_\_  
School achievement\_\_\_ Social activities\_\_\_ Family function\_\_\_ Mood\_\_\_ High level sport\_\_\_, (explain):**SECTION 4 – ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH UTILIZATION SINCE ONSET OF SYMPTOMS**

4.1 Health visits for this problem (check all that apply): Emergency department\_\_\_

Paediatric/hospital admission\_\_\_ Transfer to tertiary care\_\_\_ Psychiatric admission\_\_\_

4.2 Blood work received for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown	<i>If yes, results:</i>
CBC	___	___	___	___	_____
CRP	___	___	___	___	_____
ESR	___	___	___	___	_____

## 4.3 Special investigations patient received for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown	If yes, results:
Radiographs	___	___	___	___	_____
CT limb	___	___	___	___	_____
CT brain	___	___	___	___	_____
MRI limb	___	___	___	___	_____
MRI brain	___	___	___	___	_____
Bone scan	___	___	___	___	_____
Ultrasound	___	___	___	___	_____
Nerve conduction studies	___	___	___	___	_____
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___	_____

## 4.4 Specialist referrals for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown	If yes, diagnosis:
General paediatrician	___	___	___	___	_____
Paediatric neurology	___	___	___	___	_____
Paediatric orthopedics	___	___	___	___	_____
Paediatric rheumatology	___	___	___	___	_____
Neurology	___	___	___	___	_____
Orthopedics	___	___	___	___	_____
Rheumatology	___	___	___	___	_____
Interventional anaesthesia	___	___	___	___	_____
Multidisciplinary pain clinic	___	___	___	___	_____
Intensive pain rehab program	___	___	___	___	_____
<i>If yes, location: _____</i>					
Occupational therapist	___	___	___	___	_____
Physical therapist	___	___	___	___	_____
Psychologist	___	___	___	___	_____
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___	_____

## SECTION 5 – TREATMENT SINCE ONSET OF SYMPTOMS

## 5.1 Pain medications and adjuvants:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown	
Acetaminophen	___	___	___	___	
Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatories (e.g., ibuprofen, naproxen, ketorolac)	___	___	___	___	
Tramadol	___	___	___	___	
Other opioids (e.g., morphine, codeine)	___	___	___	___	
Topicals (e.g., lidocaine, diclofenac)	___	___	___	___	
Compounded topical	___	___	___	___	<i>If yes, note drug %: _____</i>
Tricyclic antidepressants (e.g., amitriptyline, nortriptyline)	___	___	___	___	
Gabapentinoids (e.g., gabapentin, pregabalin)	___	___	___	___	
Sodium channel agents (e.g., carbamazepine)	___	___	___	___	
SSRIs (e.g., sertraline)	___	___	___	___	
SNRIs (e.g., duloxetine)	___	___	___	___	
Bisphosphonates	___	___	___	___	
Ketamine infusion (intravenous)	___	___	___	___	
Regional block	___	___	___	___	<i>If yes, details: _____</i>
Medical marijuana	___	___	___	___	
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___	

## 5.2 Complementary medicine seen/advised for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown
Acupuncture	___	___	___	___
Exercise therapist	___	___	___	___
Chiropractor	___	___	___	___
Massage therapist	___	___	___	___
Naturopath	___	___	___	___
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___

## 5.3 Treatments initiated for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown
Botox injections	___	___	___	___
Bracing/AFO/boot	___	___	___	___
Desensitization	___	___	___	___
Graded motor imagery	___	___	___	___
Orthotic/shoe inserts	___	___	___	___
TENS	___	___	___	___
Pool/hydrotherapy	___	___	___	___
Pain education	___	___	___	___
Psychological strategies	___	___	___	___
Fitness/exercise strategies	___	___	___	___
Yoga	___	___	___	___
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___

## 5.4 Nutritional supplements initiated for this problem:

	Yes	No	Ordered	Unknown
Vitamin C	___	___	___	___
Omega-3	___	___	___	___
Other, specify: _____	___	___	___	___

**SECTION 6 – ADVERSE OUTCOMES**

## 6.1 Adverse outcomes related to this problem:

	Yes	No	Unknown
Withdrawal from treatment due to exacerbated pain	___	___	___
Accidental overdose of pain medications	___	___	___
Suicide attempt	___	___	___
Prescription misuse (e.g., diversion, early renewal)	___	___	___
Use of street drugs (e.g., marijuana, gabapentin)	___	___	___

**SECTION 7 – PAST MEDICAL HISTORY**

## 7.1 Personal past history:

	Yes	No	Unknown	
Prematurity	___	___	___	If yes, gestational age: _____
CRPS	___	___	___	If yes, limb and date: _____
ADHD accommodations	___	___	___	
Learning disability/modified class	___	___	___	
Conversion disorder	___	___	___	
Dysmenorrhea	___	___	___	
Hypermobility	___	___	___	Beighton Score = _____/9
Migraine/headache	___	___	___	
Mood or anxiety disorder	___	___	___	
Postural orthostatic hypotension or tachycardia	___	___	___	
Laying blood pressure _____ heart rate _____				
2 min standing blood pressure P _____ heart rate _____				
Rheumatologic condition (e.g., JIA, SLE)	___	___	___	
Other pain disorder (e.g., chronic, functional)	___	___	___	If yes, specify: _____
Other medical/mental health disorder	___	___	___	If yes, specify: _____

Yes	No	Unknown
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## 7.2 CRPS affecting first degree relative

___	___	___	If yes, relationship to child: _____
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**SECTION 8 – PATIENT FOLLOW-UP PLAN**

8.1 I am a: General paediatrician \_\_\_ Pain clinic physician \_\_\_ Subspecialist/other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

8.2 I will follow patient \_\_\_

Other services to follow patient, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of therapist to follow the patient, specify: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to be contacted by the CPSP for further information.

I do not wish to be contacted by the CPSP for further information.

**SECTION 9 – REPORTING PHYSICIAN**

First name \_\_\_\_\_ Surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Fax number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Date completed \_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you for completing this form.**

(CRPS 09/2017)