

“Question Branding” or “Labeling”

Suggest a 1-2 liner in **VAQs** to show perspective/consultoid overview.

Suggest 2-3 lines in **SAQs**.

Slightly more ‘meat’ in it, aka ‘Motherhood statement.’

Consider adding major issue and time line point.

2. Category **PATIENT** fits into
3. Nature of the **PROBLEM**
5. Nature of the **SITUATION**

E.g. pick one of each appropriate list. Unlikely to use all 5 as would be too wordy:

1. [*Time dependent/critical, Common, Uncommon, Rare*]
2. Neonatal, Paediatric, Obstetric, Adult, Elderly/Geriatric, Psychiatric...
3. Infectious disease, trauma, airway/anaesthetic, orthopaedic, neurosurgical, vascular, GI, respiratory, cardiovascular, toxicological, neurological, metabolic, (electrolyte disorder) endocrine, (retrieval,) medico-legal, child protection, NAI, public health, departmental, staffing...
4. [*Immediately/potentially life-threatening, limb-threatening, eye-threatening*]
5. Emergency, critical illness, critical incident, urgent/semi-urgent ED presentation/case, medical error, consent or capacity issue, diagnostic scenario, disaster, major incident, or something else entirely...

Note may be only 2 or 3 out of the 5 above components if that is more appropriate.

() = may not be good use

Italics = only if appropriate

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Reference: EDEXAM website, Andy Buck FACEM