

Poetry and Fiction

NAT: No Active Treatment

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Does every patient need a drug?
Does every red eye have a bug?
And every time you see a bump,
do you feel an urge to remove the lump?

Because in my unwritten book, 'WNL' means we never look! While 'NAD' as a patient's pun, means nothing actually done!

Please avoid short forms like the plague; they mean little, are pretty vague. And if you've used a company's dough, have the courage to publicly show.

Often hypertension or serum level is a number; treating just it, is often a blunder. Even managing the disease isn't your aim, but caring for the patient should be the game!

A touch, a wink or just a smile, does more than medicines by a mile, and you do sometimes get to see that the appropriate prescription is NAT!

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