

# SBAR

## (Situation, Background, Assessment)

SBAR	CONTENT	EXAMPLE
<b>Situation</b>	<p>Introduced yourself and check you are speaking to the correct person.</p> <p>Identify the patient you are calling about (who and where).</p> <p>Say what you think the current problem is, or appears to be.</p> <p>State what you need advice about.</p> <p>Useful phrases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The problem appears to be eg. Anaphylaxis</li> <li>• I am not sure what the problem is but pt is unwell</li> <li>• The pt is unstable, getting worse and I need HELP.</li> </ul>	<p>Hi, I am_____.</p> <p>I am calling about my pt_____</p> <p>In area/address_____, who I think has anaphylaxis.</p> <p>She has rash/breathing difficulties and oxygen saturation of _____despite oxygen and I am very worried about her.</p>
<b>Background</b>	<p>Background information about the patient. Reason for appointment.</p> <p>Relevant past medical history.</p>	<p>She is 45 and previously fit and well.</p> <p>No relevant past medical history.</p> <p>She arrived 30 min ago by car/ she had botox injected 15 min ago etc.</p>
<b>Assessment</b>	<p>Includes specific information and values if possible based on A-E approach.</p> <p>Airway</p> <p>Breathing</p> <p>Circulation</p> <p>Disability</p> <p>Exposure</p>	<p>She looks very unwell and is tiring.</p> <p>Airway – she can say few words</p> <p>Breathing – her Respiratory Rate is 28, she has moderate stridor. O2 level is_____.</p> <p>Circulation – her pulse is_____,</p> <p>And BP_____</p> <p>Exposure – she has rashes around face and puffy eyes.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	<p>State what you want the person you are calling to do. What by when? Useful phrases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I am going to start the following/investigation, is there anything else you would like to suggest?</li> <li>• I don't think I can do anymore, I would like you to see pt urgently.</li> </ul>	<p>I am getting antibiotics ready and pt is on IV fluids.</p> <p>I need help – please can you come and see him straight away.</p>
<b>Decision</b>	In SBARD form	