OSCE HISTORY · 8 MINUTES

SUBJECT

NAME

YEAR · SEMESTER

PATIENT · INITIALS

AGE · SEX

STATION

DATE



0:00

OPEN

Introduce · confirm identity · consent

"Hello, I'm … a medical student. Could you tell me your full name and date of birth?"

0:30

PRESENTING COMPLAINT

Open question, then let them talk

"What's brought you in today?"

1:00

HISTORY OF COMPLAINT

SOCRATES · associated symptoms · red flags

"Can I ask some more questions about the pain?"

4:00

IDEAS · CONCERNS · EXPECTATIONS

The patient's view

"What do you think is going on? Is anything worrying you?"

5:00

BACKGROUND

Past history · drugs + allergies · family · social

"Now a few questions about your health in general."

7:00

SYSTEMS REVIEW

Quick screen of the rest

"Just a few quick yes-or-no questions."

7:30

CLOSE

Summarise · check · thank

"Let me sum up what you've told me… did I miss anything?"

Times are a guide for an 8-minute station: move on when you have what you need.

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