

CMDS | CLINICAL MASTERY OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM

Client Assessment and Education Strategies



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Getting to Know Your New Client

- ✓ **The initial contact**
- ✓ **Pre-consultation forms:** online or paper and pen forms completed, usually before initial consultation
- ✓ **Initial consultation:** interview questions
- ✓ **Journals** of their daily activities and diet
- ✓ **Review old labs** if any and order new ones if necessary



Full Functional Assessment

- ✓ **“Ninja” history taking** and interview skills
- ✓ **Questionnaires and surveys**, preferably scorable
- ✓ Questions include **all aspects of health**: diet, environment, habits, exposures, stresses, past
- ✓ **Client diary analysis** and session check-in forms
- ✓ Looking for **nutritional deficiency physical clues**
- ✓ Traditional **Eastern body diagnosis**
- ✓ **Blood chemistry** analysis
- ✓ **Functional lab tests**: stool, urine



Components of a Thorough History

- ✓ Demographics and General Information
- ✓ Health Goals
- ✓ History of Chief Complaint(s)
- ✓ Current Health and Exposures
- ✓ Medication and Supplement History
- ✓ Past Health History and Family Health
- ✓ Organ and Gland Scorecards
- ✓ Nutrient Evaluation Scorecards
- ✓ Journals and Tracking Forms
- ✓ “Ready and Willing” Assessment

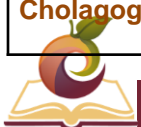


Assessment Interpretation

Assessment / Desired Score	Score At Start Date: _____	Priority V High High, Med, Low	Protocols Started Date	Protocols Completed Date	Score After Protocols
Low stomach acid / <10					
Excess stomach acid / <10					
Pancreas/small intestine / <10					
Large intestine / <10					
Liver/gallbladder / <10					
Candida/dysbiosis / <40					
Leaky gut / 0					
SIBO					



	Low Stomach Acid	Excess Stomach Acid	Small Intestine and Pancreas	Large Intestine	Liver / Gall Bladder	Candida/ Dysbiosis	Leaky Gut and Inflammatory Bowel Disease	FODMAP /Specific Carbohydrate Sensitivity (SCD)	SIBO
Gut Rejuvenator		Monitor – remove citrus or aCV if it aggravates							
Green Drinks							juices or cooked and blended greens if severe	Replace restricted greens with allowed	Replace restricted greens
Pre Meal Ritual, Chewing, Calm									
Remove Gut Hurting Foods									
Elimination diet – food sensitivities									
Add Gut healing foods							May need to restrict to cooked/ pureed	Modify to only include the allowed foods	FODMAP and SCD, consider elemental diet
HCL Challenge		NO					caution		
Bitters plus zinc		caution							
Enzymes		caution							
Gut Soothing Herbs - Mucilaginous								Some herbs may not be tolerated –Modified SCD chart	Some herbs may not be tolerated – Modified SCD chart
Antispasmodic Herbs									
Carminative Herbs									
Candida parasite cleanse									
Leaky Gut									
Liver/gall bladder cleanse									
Probiotics									Not in early stages
Prebiotics								Caution	Caution
Cholagogues		Caution- May Stimulate HCl							



Teaching Tools and Done-For-You Tools

- ✓ **GRAND** program on VLM
- ✓ **Food Allergies** on VLM
- ✓ Digestion and Assessment Scorecards: PDF and Doc formats
- ✓ Digestion Protocols: PDF and Doc formats
- ✓ Licensing/Use of GRAND materials after certification

