

OSCE

Candidate information

You have been asked to help your RMO, who has been seeing a 70 year old female who presented with 10 days of difficulty walking. The patient is normally well, and returned from an overseas trip to Europe two weeks ago.

The RMO has ordered some imaging and would like you to help them with interpretation of the results and discuss further management of the patient.

Domain	%
Medical expertise	50
Prioritisation and decision making	20
Communication	
Teamwork and collaboration	
Leadership and management	
Health advocacy	
Scholarship and teaching	30
Professionalism	

SDH

Actor (RMO) information

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Prompts:

- What does the CT show?
- What are the management options for this patient?
- What questions should I ask her in history?
- What is her disposition?

Marking:

- Large SDH left side
- Large SDH right side
- Cerebral oedema – “full brain”
- Assess her for neurology – head to toe
- Anticoagulants?
- Baseline function (usually good; just got back from Europe)
- Falls/trauma?
- Management of: neurosurgical admission, burr holes, anticonvulsants (controversial), G+H, coags, baseline bloods, etc.
- NOT conservative management!

	Mark
Accurate interpretation of CT	2
Explains need for surgical intervention as management	2
Asks for full neurological assessment	1
Checks PMHx	1
Asks about anticoagulants	2
Disposition neurosurgery	1
Approach to RMO – open, clear, concise	1

