Instructions for Candidates

Scenario
Michael Barrie is a 54-year-old man with a long history of alcohol misuse and multiple admissions for detoxification, which usually fail.

He has been admitted with a history of depression. He has been finding it increasingly hard to manage at home by himself, and his family are concerned about by a rapid decline in his memory in the last 2-3 weeks.

The CT scan shows the following:

Instructions
Now phone your consultant and inform him a) of your findings; b) management plan.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO HAND YOUR IDENTITY LABEL TO THE EXAMINER
Instructions for Actor playing the consultant

Key Attributes
You are the consultant on-call. The candidate is going to telephone you and report on the results of a CT scan for one of your patients.

Your interaction with the candidate should be to-the-point, and concise.

Key Dialogue
If the candidate does not disclose the following information, you should ask the following questions:

1. What side of the brain is the abnormality?
2. Is there any midline shift?
3. What is the diagnosis?
4. What do you think the most likely cause is?
5. What is your management plan?
Instructions for Examiners

REMEMBER TO ASK THE STUDENT FOR THEIR IDENTITY LABEL AND AFFIX IT TO THE TOP OF THE MARK SHEET.

This is a station testing a number of skills:

1. Ability to interpret a CT scan
2. Ability to report the findings concisely to a senior colleague
**Marking Sheet**

*Please circle the appropriate mark for each criterion. The standard expected is that of a psychiatric Senior House Officer.*

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<th>Criterion</th>
<th>Performed competently</th>
<th>Performed, but not fully competent</th>
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<td><strong>Rapport and Style when discussing results with consultant</strong></td>
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<td>* Speaks with confidence</td>
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<td>* Clearly able to identify relevant findings and communicate them effectively to senior colleague*</td>
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<td><strong>Correctly identifies the following abnormalities (3 points for each, up to a maximum of 9):</strong></td>
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<td>* Sudural Bleeding in the left parietal area</td>
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<td>* Compression of the left lateral ventricle</td>
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<td>* Slight midline shift to the right</td>
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<td><strong>Correct Diagnosis (one point for each, up to a maximum of 2):</strong></td>
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<td>* Left-sided</td>
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<td>* Subdural Haematoma</td>
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<td><strong>Able to suggest most likely cause:</strong></td>
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<td>* Probable fall at home, possibly whilst intoxicated</td>
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<td><strong>Overall Approach to Task</strong></td>
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**Score (Max 20)**

**Overall Grading of station**

- Clear Pass
- Borderline
- Clear Fail
Data Interpretation: CT Scan

Requirements for this station

The following should be made available for this station:

1. A telephone, connected to an actor playing the consultant
2. The correct extension number printed on a sheet from a mock-up internal telephone directory, close to the telephone