**Anemia**

**Think:** Acute or chronic  
**Think:** Macro, micro or normocytic  
**Epic Search Term:** anemia

- **Type**
  - Nutritional
    - Iron deficiency
    - Vitamin B12 deficiency
    - Folate deficiency
    - Other nutritional anemia  
  - Hemolytic
    - Anemia due to enzyme disorders  
    - Thalassemia  
    - Sickle-cell disorders  
    - Other hereditary hemolytic anemias  
    - Acquired hemolytic anemia  
  - Aplastic
    - Acquired pure red cell aplasia (erythroblastopenia)  
    - Other aplastic anemia  
    - Acute post hemorrhagic anemia  
    - Anemia in chronic diseases

- **Document**
  - Acuity  
  - Name of deficient vitamin or mineral  
  - Describe hemolytic anemias as being hereditary, acquired, autoimmune, or non-auto immune  
  - Detail the underlying cause or provide a statement indication unknown cause

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**EXAMPLE OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:**

Patient complains of **dark, tarry stools** that is **acute** in onset and has been present for approximately **2** days.

**Probable Diagnosis:** Acute blood loss anemia secondary to GI bleed