Nervous System





Chief Complain: Asymmetry of the face		
Questions	Indications	
The functions of the facial cranial nerve		
Do you feel any difficulty with speaking ?		
Abnormal hearing?	Hyperacusis	
Any change of the taste ?	Anterior 2/3 of the tongue	
Have you noticed any dryness of the eyes or the mouth?		
Etiologies of the palsy		
External ear pain?	Ramsey hunt syndrome	
Any trauma ? (epically on the temporal bone)		
Any history of otitis media	Could injure the nerve (see the course	
(middle ear infection)?	of the nerve)	
Any history of CNS tumors or surgery ?		

Mention 2 causes could manifested in this picture.

- 1. Bell's pusly (idiopathic or HSV1 infection)
- 2. Trauma could injure CN VII
- 3. Ramsy Hunt syndrome

Mention 2 clinical manifestations could be obtained from Bell's palsy patient (picture).

- 1. postauricular pain (few days)
- 2. lower motor neuron facial weakness
- 3. impaired taste
- 4. hyperacusis

According to the picture, what is the affected side? Right side

What is the management for Bell's palst?

- 1. Reassurance not a stroke
- 2. Short course of prednisolone

	Upper Motor Lesion	Lower Motor Lesion
Site	Central Palsy (cortex-internal capsule-brain stem above nucleus)	Peripheral Palsy (in the nucleus in brain stem)
Lesion	Contralateral	Ipsilateral
Presentation	 Tongue deviates opposite to the lesion Mild weakness of the lower part of face on the Side opposite the lesion 	 Tongue deviates to the side of the lesion Weakness of All muscle of facial expression on the same side.
Causes	 Usually vascular (stroke) Cerebral tumor Multiple sclerosis 	 Bell's palsy Parotid tumor Head injury Sarcoidosis MG GBS

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