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 - Not an ED study but their results showed that ordering studies for reassurance did little to decrease anxiety or reassure patients.
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Epic Charting Tip- Make sure pSHx, pMHx plus either social or family history is documented. "Not on File" is the default and should be changed. If no past medical history or surgical history, need to freetext negative or add the diagnosis of no past medical history and or no past surgeries.