

Cardiac Care Unit Survival Guide

Cardiac Surgery Essentials for Critical Care Nursing, Third Edition is an indispensable resource for new and experienced nurses caring for patients in critical care units immediately following cardiac surgery and in the transitioning to home. With an evidence-based foundation, the Third Edition addresses nursing knowledge to meet the needs of acutely ill patients and strategies to optimizing patient outcomes in this dynamic field. Vital information has been added and updated to reflect significant changes in cardiac surgery as well as four new chapters based on needs of patients, families, and readers. These new chapters address nutritional issues, post ICU-care, psychological and spiritual support, and rehabilitation care post cardiac surgery.

Nurses are already nurse managers. They must manage patient caseloads and care plans as well as supervise aides, technicians, and other care providers. But moving from this type of organic management to a defined nurse manager role is not a natural progression. Nurse managers must command a vast, diverse, and robust skill set, and those skills must first be defined, explained, and operationalized for success. In an environment that offers new managers little support, where do they turn? The Nurse Manager's Survival Guide (4th Ed.) provides an overview of a nurse manager's major roles and responsibilities—all the fundamentals needed for success in one easy-to-use, consolidated, practical reference. From tips on building the right team to budgeting basics, time-management tools, and advice on taking care of one's self (and their team), author Tina Marrelli supplies the resources nurse managers need to excel in day-to-day operations.

The Cardiac Care Unit Survival Guide Lippincott Williams & Wilkins

Now in full color, Handbook of Patient Care in Vascular Diseases is a concise quick-reference guide to effectively diagnosing and treating patients with common arterial and venous vascular diseases. Chapter by chapter, content is presented in a convenient online format, and covers everything from the latest diagnostic methodologies to current catheter-based basics to post-op patient management. Diseases and conditions include diabetes mellitus, atherosclerosis, obesity, and more.

Be punctual, hard-working and honest, but most importantly – be excellent. Written by residents, for interns and residents, the Junior Doctor Survival Guide is a thorough, focused summary of everything you need to know to get through your internship and residency (relatively) intact. It provides advice on seeking help from your senior clinicians, ensuring ethical practice and decision making, conducting an efficient ward round and carrying out emergency assessments and includes a concise overview of the salient features of specialist medical and surgical care in both in- and outpatient settings. Covering both clinical and professional contexts, this guide will support you to build your confidence in applying the principles you learned in medical school to the real world. Scenario boxes – how difficult conversations should be approached Common medications – quick reference tables of common medications and dosages Clinical abbreviations and acronyms – a comprehensive list of common abbreviations and acronyms used throughout clinical settings. Full eBook on ExpertConsult

Even after years of training and hard work, finding yourself on the threshold of your nursing career is often a daunting prospect. In this revised and updated second edition, Jackie Hole provides clear, practical advice on both managing the transition from student to qualified nurse - including getting the most from your final placement and making applications - and practical advice on key areas encountered in the first weeks and months after qualification. Drug safety, dealing with common clinical problems, and how and when to seek expert advice are all covered, while a newly written chapter addresses the key area of infection control.

Management aspects such as delegation, objective setting, budgeting, prioritisation of care and time management are outlined clearly and engagingly, along with questions of professional development and career futures. This book will be invaluable to newly-qualified nurses, as well as to student nurses, nurse tutors, and experienced nurses wishing to gain an insight into their own practice and changes in the profession.

The Washington Manual of Critical Care is a concise pocket manual for physicians and nurses. It is distinguished from the multitude of other critical care handbooks on the market by its consistent presentation of algorithms displaying the decision-making pathways used in evaluating and treating disorders in the ICU. The new edition transitions to a full color format and will include coverage of Deep Venous Thrombosis/Pulmonary Embolism, fetal-maternal critical care, C difficile infection, and alternative hemodynamic monitoring.

Part of the Mount Sinai Expert Guide series, this outstanding book provides rapid-access, clinical information on all aspects of Critical Care with a focus on clinical diagnosis and effective patient management. With strong focus on the very best in multidisciplinary patient care, it is the ideal point of care consultation tool for the busy physician.

The book describes step-wise management of clinical emergencies seen every day in Intensive care units (ICUs). As a practical guide, clinicians can refer to it on a day-to-day basis during their work hours, or while in transit to update their knowledge. Targeted readers are intensivists, critical care specialists, and residents involved in the care of patients admitted in ICUs. This handbook covers an array of specialities such as cardiology, pulmonology, gastroenterology, neurology, nephrology, traumatology, and toxicology. This monograph provides point-of-care treatment guidance and will serve as a ready-reckoner for physicians to quickly learn the management steps in a methodical manner.

Cardiac arrest can strike a seemingly healthy individual of any age, race, ethnicity, or gender at any time in any location, often without warning. Cardiac arrest is the third leading cause of death in the United States, following cancer and heart disease. Four out of five cardiac arrests occur in the home, and more than 90 percent of individuals with cardiac arrest die before reaching the hospital. First and foremost, cardiac arrest treatment is a community issue - local resources and personnel must provide appropriate, high-quality care to save the life of a community member. Time between onset of arrest and provision of care is fundamental, and shortening this time is one of the best ways to reduce the risk of death and disability from cardiac arrest. Specific actions can be implemented now to decrease this time, and recent advances in science could lead to new discoveries in the causes of, and treatments for, cardiac arrest. However, specific barriers must first be addressed. Strategies to Improve Cardiac Arrest Survival examines the complete system of response to cardiac arrest in the United States and identifies opportunities within existing and new treatments, strategies, and research that promise to improve the survival and recovery of patients. The recommendations of Strategies to Improve Cardiac Arrest Survival provide high-priority actions to advance the field as a whole. This report will help citizens, government agencies, and private industry to improve health outcomes from sudden cardiac arrest across the United

States.

Are you a starting work in critical care? Are you an experienced nurse but need to check guidelines and best practices? This is the indispensable guide to daily procedures and problems faced by nurses working in this specialty. This book will help you to Organise your job and yourself Assess patients and communicate with them Get clinical information on a wide range of conditions What to do in emergency This UPDATED edition: Completely updated and revised content written by authors with extensive nursing experience in the field Physiological, psychological and social areas, as well as legal issues, ethical and moral dilemmas that critical care nurses and health care practitioners may face on a daily basis Boxes, tips and diagrams to help bridge the theory-practice gap while embarking on your critical care career. Part of the A Nurse's Survival Guide series Completely updated and revised content written by authors with extensive nursing experience in the field Physiological, psychological and social areas, as well as legal issues, ethical and moral dilemmas that critical care nurses and health care practitioners may face on a daily basis Boxes, tips and diagrams to help bridge the theory-practice gap while embarking on your critical care career.

Coronary artery disease is the most commonly encountered problem in adult cardiology in the world. Echocardiography is the most commonly used imaging modality encountered in cardiology practice in the world. Even though there are many Acute Coronary Syndrome (ACS) reference books and echocardiography reference books, there is no single practical book so far in the literature with focus on the combined topics. The authors believe that this will be the first book to provide information on how echocardiography can be used in, prevention, diagnosis and treatment of ACS.

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This best-selling resource provides a general overview and basic information for all adult intensive care units. The material is presented in a brief and quick-access format which allows for topic and exam review. It provides enough detailed and specific information to address most all questions and problems that arise in the ICU. Emphasis on fundamental principles in the text should prove useful for patient care outside the ICU as well. New chapters in this edition include hyperthermia and hypothermia syndromes; infection control in the ICU; and severe airflow obstruction. Sections have been reorganized and consolidated when appropriate to reinforce concepts.

Manual of ICU Procedures is a comprehensive, step-by-step guide to intensive care procedures. The book is divided into five sections, including airway and respiratory; vascular and cardiac; neurological; gastrointestinal, abdominal, and genitourinary procedures. Enhanced by 428 colour images and illustrations, Manual of ICU Procedures is an ideal resource for all critical care professionals.

Edited by two leading cardiologists from St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center in New York, this book offers practical algorithms for obtaining quick, accurate diagnoses and providing optimal treatment for patients with acute coronary syndrome (ACS). You'll discover the pros and cons and all the considerations that go into choosing the most effective interventional and non-invasive techniques for treating different ACS conditions.

Publisher's Note: Products purchased from 3rd Party sellers are not guaranteed by the Publisher for quality, authenticity, or access to any online entitlements included with the product. Build the critical thinking capabilities essential to your success with this captivating, case-based approach. Maternity, Newborn, and Women's Health Nursing: A Case-Based Approach brings the realities of nursing practice to life and helps you acquire the understanding and clinical reasoning skills to ensure effective patient-centered care. This innovative text immerses you in realistic, case-based narratives that help you experience maternity, newborn, and women's health nursing concepts from the patient's perspective and confidently prepare for your clinical rotations.

Accompanying units leverage these patient stories to enrich your understanding of key concepts and reinforce their clinical relevance, giving you unparalleled preparation for the challenges you'll face in your nursing career. Powerfully written case-based patient scenarios instill a clinically relevant understanding of essential concepts to prepare you for clinicals. Nurse's Point of View sections in Unit 1 help you recognize the nursing considerations and challenges related to patient-based scenarios. Step-by-Step Skills tutorials clarify common procedures. Unfolding Patient Stories, written by the National League for Nursing, foster meaningful reflection on commonly encountered clinical scenarios. Analyze the Evidence callouts present conflicting research to hone your critical thinking capabilities. Patient Teaching boxes highlight important information to communicate to patients. Lab Values help you recognize the significance of out-of-range values and make appropriate nursing interventions. The Pharmacy features detail essential pharmaceutical information at a glance. Interactive learning resources, including Practice & Learn Case Studies and Watch & Learn Videos, reinforce skills and challenge you to apply what you've learned. Learning Objectives and bolded Key Terms help you maximize your study time. Think Critically questions instill the clinical reasoning and analytical skills essential to safe patient-centered practice. Suggested Readings point you to further research for more information and clinical guidance.

This completely updated and revised new edition is specially written for qualified nurses working in intensive care nursing units. Fully comprehensive and developed to be as accessible as possible it contains four new chapters with valuable new and updated clinical scenarios to aid learning. Intensive Care Nursing is structured in user-friendly sections. Each chapter contains 'fundamental knowledge' needed to understand the chapter, an introduction, 'implications for practice', a chapter summary, completely updated further reading, 'time out' sections for revision and a clinical scenario with questions included. This second edition has been fully developed and reviewed by practitioners and teachers, as well as a senior pharmacist and covers: patient-focused issues of bedside nursing the technical knowledge necessary to care safely for ICU patients the more common and specialized disease processes and treatments encountered how nurses can use their knowledge and skills to develop their own and others' practice. A support website at www.routledge.com/textbooks/0415373239 links to other important sites, gives answers to the clinical scenario questions and provides a forum for discussion of important clinical issues. Written by a practice development nurse with a strong clinical background in intensive care nursing and experience of teaching nursing, Intensive Care Nursing is essential reading for nurses and health professionals working with high dependency patients.

Incredible advances have been made in the management of a variety of cardiac problems during the past several years and this new issue of Critical Care Clinics seeks to illustrate a diverse sampling of some of those advancements. This issue, Guest Edited by Arthur Riba, explores such important topics as Cardiogenic Shock, Acute Valvular Insufficiency, Atrial Fibrillation, and Critical

Care Imaging. Exciting topics such as New Interventional Devices in the Acute Cardiac Care Setting are also discussed. Every day we see new advancements in the field of Cardiac Critical Care, which makes this new issue of Critical Care Clinics a must have for anyone in the clinical field.

Written by authors who are hospitalists and clinician-educators, *Cases in Hospital Medicine* uses practical case studies and current medical evidence to guide you expertly through the types of cases seen most often by practicing hospital-based clinicians. This engaging handbook covers the wide range of both broad and specific knowledge required in the hospital environment, while focusing on highly relevant questions and today's best practices. You'll find real-world guidance on essential topics, including commentary on research studies and clinical guidelines.\

This title is directed primarily towards health care professionals outside of the United States. The needs of critically ill children are unique and this handy pocket book will be invaluable to anyone who needs a quick account of intensive care procedures. It brings together all the vital information in one source and in an accessible format. The text is organised by body systems and gives helpful hints on managing children with various conditions. Tables of normal values are included and additional information is provided about equipment needed in a paediatric emergency.

This book is geared toward cardiologists, trainees, and housestaff --anyone who rotates or practices in the CCU--who must grasp the subtleties when treating patients in a cardiac care unit. It is organized in a way to help you understand the simplified pathophysiology of the disease, the diagnosis modalities, the initial critical care management in the CCU, the clinical care in a step down unit and plan for discharge therapy. Dr. Herzog has developed unified pathways for the management of patients presenting with acute chest pain or its equivalent, acute heart failure, atrial fibrillation and flutter, syncope, cardiac arrest, hypertension and hyperglycemia. Algorithms and pathways for management are provided in each chapter for easy implementation in any health care system. In addition, because specialized units are frightening to the patients and their families, there is a section in each chapter on what the patient and family need to know, that encompasses a capsulated explanation of the condition and treatment management. A companion website accompanies the text that includes fully searchable text and patient information.

This book is a comprehensive review of pulmonary embolism (PE) which, with deep vein thrombosis, is assigned to the term venous thromboembolism (VTE) and currently the third most frequent acute cardiovascular syndrome globally. In the past decade we have seen a remarkable improvement in new diagnostic tools as well as novel therapeutic options to manage patients with VTE and this book provides a thorough clinical discussion of the diagnosis and management of these patients. Pulmonary Embolism presents a comprehensive review of all aspects of the epidemiology, pathophysiology, diagnosis, risk assessment and therapeutic options to manage the patient with PE. To aid healthcare providers caring for patients with acute PE, it encapsulates a novel, comprehensive, yet simple, pathway for the management of patients with PE, which can be used in many health care systems around the globe. This pathway is at the core of the book and all chapters are related to this unique algorithm.

The new edition continues to be a practical, easy to understand, and up to date resource for managing coronary disease. It not only encompasses modern cardiology practice, but also considers how the patient came to arrive on coronary care, and what will happen them after they leave. The combined authorship of doctor and nurse reflects the close teamwork vital to the management of both patients and their families. Management of the cardiac patient is a complex process and this book has a clear approach conveying the necessary information in an easily understood way. It also has an excellent evidence base to ensure best practice and should appeal to staff in every cardiac unit. Up to date coverage of a rapidly developing field Offers a multi-disciplinary approach to coronary care Easy to read and therefore easily understood Research/evidence based content ensures best practice Adds material that reflects the growing literature on nurse-lead approaches to chest pain assessment, defibrillation, thrombolysis and specialist clinics (heart failure and dysrhythmias). Updates content in line with the latest guidelines from various medical bodies.

A comprehensive coronary care textbook for medical, nursing and paramedic staff The *Coronary Care Manual*, 2nd Edition is a practical medical manual designed to assist with management of the acute coronary patient. This respected medical resource is written by a group of coronary experts, both Australian and international. Its aim is to strike a balance between a large and rapidly-changing evidence base and practical application in the Coronary Care Unit, Intensive Care Unit, Emergency Department and the ambulance. The second edition of this important health textbook covers an extensive range of coronary care medicine, providing a handy companion for a night 'on call'. Chapter topics in the *Coronary Care Manual*, 2nd Edition include pathophysiology, drug and non-drug therapies and postcoronary management, with chapters organised into subsections. Completely redesigned with fresh, new artwork, this new edition of the *Coronary Care Manual* is organised to suit academics and medical practitioners alike. • covers a broad range of coronary care medicine • provides specific advice on the management of common clinical problems • eliminates the need to refer to a larger reference book • features a consistent style and focus, with standardised artwork for figures • is now also available as an eBook! A code inside the *Coronary Care Manual* enables a full text download, allowing you to browse and search electronically, make notes and bookmarks in the electronic files and highlight material

This textbook represents a short update on original aspects of heart failure. It covers topics of heart failure management such as prevention, drug monitoring after heart transplant, and the critical care approach. There are also chapters on less common facets of this syndrome such as prevalence and features in a specific African region and the complexity of telemedicine in heart failure. In summary, it will be a valid adjunct to more exhaustive textbooks already available.

Children in Intensive Care fulfils a unique role in supporting clinical staff during the day-to-day management of the sick child. Presented in quick reference format, and in plain English, the book offers a unique guide to the wide variety of situations that a practitioner is likely to encounter during daily practice. Rich with reference tables, algorithms, artworks and 'Alert' boxes, the book offers a wealth of information which ranges from physiology to drug dosage calculation, drug compatibility lists, reference ranges, and X-ray interpretation. New chapters include oncologic emergencies, pain management and sedation, together with the latest information on the management of sepsis, the collapsed child, and care of the child following spinal surgery. Information presented in quick reference format, with accompanying reference tables, to facilitate on-the-spot usage Advanced Life Support Group algorithms provide safe and easy-to-follow protocols to the management of emergency situations Contains input from a broad range of paediatric specialists – intensivists, anaesthetists, haematologists, oncologists, air ambulance physicians and retrieval nurses, pharmacists, specialist dieticians, and respiratory physiotherapists – to ensure full coverage and accuracy of information Contains helpful 'Quick Guide' and 'Warning' boxes to provide key information at a glance, while helpful mnemonics assist with learning Contains chapters on normal child development, safe-guarding children and young people, and patient transport Perfect for use on the wards, theatres, high-dependency units and intensive care units as well as during retrieval and A&E Ideal for newcomers and experienced staff alike, whether they be junior doctors or nursing staff Additional authorship brings the expertise of Marilyn McDougall, a Senior Paediatric Intensive Care Consultant Contains brand new chapters - oncology emergencies and pain & sedation - as well as the latest information on topics including sepsis and the collapsed neonate, and care of children after spinal surgery Comprehensively

expanded cardiac chapter presents new surgical approaches as well as practical tips on pacing, care of chest drains and basic echocardiograph terminology Drug chapter now includes reversal agents, new drug profiles and an updated compatibilities chart Expanded artwork program explains clinical concepts and practical procedures

Using a multidisciplinary, team-oriented approach, this unique title expertly covers all the latest approaches to the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of patients with critical cardiac illness. Led by Dr David L. Brown, a stellar team of authoritative writers guides you through cardiac pathophysiology, disease states presenting in the CICU, and state-of-the-art advanced diagnosis and therapeutic techniques. A visually appealing format, new chapters, and thorough updates ensure that you stay on the cutting edge of this rapidly advancing field. Discusses recent changes in cardiac intensive care, including new care paradigms, new mechanical support modalities, and new therapies and interventions. Contains 11 new chapters: Palliative Care, Temporary Pacemaker Insertion, Pericardiocentesis, Distributive Shock, Electrical Storm, Cardiopulmonary Cerebral Resuscitation after Cardiac Arrest, Temporary Mechanical Circulatory Support Devices, Cardiorenal Syndrome, Fulminant Myocarditis, Stress-Induced Cardiomyopathy, Diagnosis and Treatment of Unstable Supraventricular Tachycardia. Concisely yet thoroughly covers acute and severe heart failure, chronic pulmonary hypertension, life-threatening dysrhythmias, aortic dissection, and other cardiac conditions as they relate to intensive care. Explains drug therapy for key cardiac drugs, such as inotropes, vasodilators, anti-arrhythmics, diuretics, anticoagulants, and anti-platelets, and discusses important drug interactions. Ideal for all healthcare professionals involved in cardiac intensive care, including intensivists, cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, residents, fellows, cardiac nurses, respiratory therapists, physical therapists, and nutritionists.

This book comprehensively reviews the use of echocardiography in the rapidly evolving field of critical care cardiology. Increasingly, cardiac care units (CCU) are focusing on the management of patients with multisystem diseases, advanced hemodynamics compromise, complex ventricular arrhythmias, and established or incipient multi-organ failure. This book covers ultrasound applications in such topics as hemodynamic assessment and the assessment of patients with intracardiac devices. Syndrome-based echocardiography in the CCU is also covered with an emphasis on using echocardiography in patients with acute dyspnea, acute chest pain and neurologic syndromes. The use of contrast echocardiography in the CCU is also covered. Echocardiography in the CCU reveals the essential role of various echocardiographic modalities in modern acute cardiovascular care. This is therefore a critical resource for all cardiology practitioners and trainees who use echocardiography in CCUs.

The New York Times bestselling author of *Better* and *Complications* reveals the surprising power of the ordinary checklist We live in a world of great and increasing complexity, where even the most expert professionals struggle to master the tasks they face. Longer training, ever more advanced technologies—neither seems to prevent grievous errors. But in a hopeful turn, acclaimed surgeon and writer Atul Gawande finds a remedy in the humblest and simplest of techniques: the checklist. First introduced decades ago by the U.S. Air Force, checklists have enabled pilots to fly aircraft of mind-boggling sophistication. Now innovative checklists are being adopted in hospitals around the world, helping doctors and nurses respond to everything from flu epidemics to avalanches. Even in the immensely complex world of surgery, a simple ninety-second variant has cut the rate of fatalities by more than a third. In riveting stories, Gawande takes us from Austria, where an emergency checklist saved a drowning victim who had spent half an hour underwater, to Michigan, where a cleanliness checklist in intensive care units virtually eliminated a type of deadly hospital infection. He explains how checklists actually work to prompt striking and immediate improvements. And he follows the checklist revolution into fields well beyond medicine, from disaster response to investment banking, skyscraper construction, and businesses of all kinds. An intellectual adventure in which lives are lost and saved and one simple idea makes a tremendous difference, *The Checklist Manifesto* is essential reading for anyone working to get things right.

Focusing on the interpretation of data commonly available to anesthesiologists, this book presents a data point, followed by discussion in a question and answer format. Covering EKG's, X-Rays, MRI's, graphs, paper recordings, blood gas results, laboratory results, patient case histories and more, *Data Interpretation in Anesthesia* provides an enhanced and stimulating learning format for residents in training and practitioners alike.

Are you a nurse, a physician's associate or a medical student in an acute or emergency unit? This is your indispensable primer of acute medical care – a pocket guide to caring for patients with acute medical conditions. This book will help you to care for patients in the first critical 24 hours of admission manage patients using the most up-to-date evidence based approach understand the most common emergency medical conditions and their underlying disease mechanisms handle the patient's assessment , understand the observations and manage their disease easily obtain clear practical advice know what to tell the patient and relatives using jargon-free language access information on SARS, avian influenza and bio-terrorism This updated edition contains improved sections on stroke care, diabetes and sepsis, introduces the NEWS 2 observation chart has revised its case histories in line with current practice This updated edition: contains improved sections on stroke care, diabetes and sepsis, introduces the NEWS 2 observation chart has revised its case histories in line with current practice improved sections on stroke care, diabetes and sepsis, introduction of the NEWS 2 observation chart revised case histories in line with current practice

Geared to any health care professional practicing in or rotating into a CCU, this quick referenceadopts a similar format to the author's highly regarded *Cardiac Care Unit Survival Guide*. Packed with full-page diagnosis treatment algorithms and management pathways, Herzog's *CCU Book*ensures you acquire in-depth knowledge and understand the subtleties in treating the different kinds of patients you encounter in a CCU setting.

Pericardial disease is a broad term that describes a wide range of pathologies. The clinical aspects of pericardial disease encompass acute pericarditis, pericardial tamponade, pericardial effusion, constrictive pericarditis, and effusive-constrictive pericarditis. Those disorders differ not only in clinical presentation but also in the timeline of disease development; for example, pericardial tamponade is commonly an acute, life-threatening event, whereas constrictive pericarditis is a chronic process developing over months to years. Therefore, pericardial disease management is challenging for most clinicians. The evidence base in the field is relatively scarce compared with other disease entities in cardiology. European Society of Cardiology released guidelines for the diagnosis and management of pericardial diseases. Currently there are no guidelines from American cardiology societies to help clinicians in dealing with pericardial disease. In this book, my goal is to provide extensive review of pericardial disease evaluation and management. A unified, stepwise pathway-based approach for the management of pericardial disease is provided at the end of the book.

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jargon-free language Access information on SARS, avian influenza and bio-terrorism Improved sections on Acute Coronary Syndromes, non-invasive ventilation, acute stroke care, acute kidney injury and emergency oxygen treatment. The new edition of this highly popular book is an indispensable guide to daily procedures and problems for nurses starting work on the ward or returning to practice. It provides guidance in a variety of areas including: how to organise your job and yourself; how to assess patients; clinical information on a wide range of conditions; important principles, procedures and investigations; how to administer drugs safely; and what to do in an emergency. As well as information on how to do the job, the importance of communication and nursing care issues is emphasised. Background information is also given on underlying legal, health and safety issues. This book will help you with Organising your job and yourself Assessing patients Getting clinical information on a wide range of conditions Important principles, procedures and investigations Administering drugs safely What to do in an emergency Communication, legal health and safety issues A new section on professional practice relates current issues to nursing practice Updated drug section provides essential understanding of common drug classes New resuscitation guidelines

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