Now in paperback, the second edition of the Oxford Textbook of Critical Care addresses all aspects of adult intensive care management. Taking a unique problem-orientated approach, this is a key resource for clinical issues in the intensive care unit. Recognized experts comprehensively review the clinical, surgical, radiological, and scientific aspects of athero-sclerotic peripheral arterial disease (PAD), including endovascular, gene, and drug therapies. In their far-ranging discussions, the authors examine in depth the risk factors and antiplatelet therapies for PAD patients at high risk for suffering a heart attack and/or and stroke, the question of exercise rehabilitation, the surgical approaches to...
revascularization, and the preoperative evaluation and perioperative management of the vascular patient. Volume II of Medicare: A Strategy for Quality Assurance provides extensive source materials on quality assurance, including results of focus groups with the elderly and practicing physicians, findings from public hearings on quality of care for the elderly, and many exhibits from site visits and the literature on quality measurements and assurance tools. The current Medicare peer review organization program and related hospital accreditation efforts are comprehensively described as background for the recommendations in Volume I of this report. Like the companion volume, this substantial book will be a valuable reference document for all groups concerned with quality of health care and the elderly. Designed to meet the evolving needs of the practising spinal surgeon, this modern and definitive volume adopts a regional and technique-specific approach to surgical spinal stabilisation and spinal implants. Appropriate specialists offer a thorough appraisal of the theory of design of implants (including design contraints), and optional surgical procedures available to the surgeon are fully reviewed. Full procedural descriptions are accompanied by numerous illustrations and detailed discussion of the complications which can arise during treatment is included. Medico-legal and ethical issues are also appraised. Complicated urinary tract infections (cUTIs) are a major cause of hospital admissions and are associated with significant morbidity and health care costs. Knowledge of baseline risk of urinary tract infection can help clinicians make informed diagnostic and therapeutic decisions. Prevalence rates of UTI vary by age, gender, race, and other predisposing risk factors. In this regard, this book provides comprehensive information on etiology, epidemiology, immunology, pathology, pathogenic mechanisms, symptomatology, investigation and management of urinary tract infection. Chapters cover common problems in urinary tract infection and put emphasis on the importance of making a correct clinical decision and choosing the appropriate therapeutic approach. Topics are organized to address all of the major complicated conditions frequently seen in urinary tract infection. The authors have paid particular attention to urological problems like the outcome of patients with vesicoureteric reflux, the factors affecting renal scarring, obstructive uropathy, voiding dysfunction and catheter associated problems. This book will be indispensable for all professionals involved in the medical
care of patients with urinary tract infection. In the last ten years, the pediatric neurosurgeon has witnessed a real revolution in the diagnosis and treatment of pediatric hydrocephalus, the most frequently encountered condition in everyday clinical practice. The evolution of MRI and the advent of neuroendoscopic surgery have resuscitated the interest in the classification, etiology and pathophysiology of hydrocephalus. The book offers an updated overview on the recent progress in this field, and a new approach to hydrocephalus: the reader will find in it a modern and new presentation of an old disease, where genetics, endoscopy, cost-effectiveness analyses and many other aspects of the various therapies are extensively discussed. The volume will be useful not only for neurosurgeons, but for all specialists interested in the various aspects of hydrocephalus: pediatricians, radiologists, endocrinologists, pathologists and geneticists. This practical, easy-to-understand handbook provides advice that helps physicians lower their risk of being sued for malpractice. Legal rules are translated by legal experts into everyday language and specific steps to lower the risks of liability are provided. Clinical studies and vignettes offer vivid examples of common pitfalls. Part of the successful Requisites series, this best-selling title presents everything you need to know about diagnostic imaging of the most commonly encountered neurologic and head and neck conditions. One book that covers brain, spine, head and neck with an engaging approach. --The only textbook written specifically for physicians training and practising in this developing medical subspecialty. The first edition of Handbook of Human Factors and Ergonomics in Health Care and Patient Safety took the medical and ergonomics communities by storm with in-depth coverage of human factors and ergonomics research, concepts, theories, models, methods, and interventions and how they can be applied in health care. Other books focus on particular human factors and ergonomics issues such as human error or design of medical devices or a specific application such as emergency medicine. This book draws on both areas to provide a compendium of human factors and ergonomics issues relevant to health care and patient safety. The second edition takes a more practical approach with coverage of methods, interventions, and applications and a greater range of domains such as medication safety, surgery, anesthesia, and infection prevention. New topics include: work schedules error
recovery telemedicine workflow analysis simulation health
information technology development and design patient safety
management Reflecting developments and advances in the five
years since the first edition, the book explores medical technology
and telemedicine and puts a special emphasis on the contributions
of human factors and ergonomics to the improvement of patient
safety and quality of care. In order to take patient safety to the next
level, collaboration between human factors professionals and health
care providers must occur. This book brings both groups closer to
achieving that goal. From the latest imaging technology to the future
of spine care, this new edition brings you the most important
knowledge on: Evaluations- Biomechanics- Bone Physiology- Nerve
Root Pathophysiology- Bone Imaging: Plain Radiography, CT, and
Radionuclide Bone Scan- Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the
Spine- Pain Imaging (discography)- Electrodiagnostics- Differential
Diagnosis of Spinal Disorders- The Aging Spine- Outcomes
Assessment and Guidelines of Care- Impairment and Return to
Work Evaluation
Nonsurgical Care- Pharmacologic Care of Arthritic
and Metabolic Disorders of the Spine- Manipulative Therapy-
Spinal Injections for Diagnosis and Treatment- Chronic Pain
Management - The Pain Clinic- Psychosocial Care for Spinal
Disorders- Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation- Surgical Care-
Fractures and Dislocations- Cervical Spondylosis, Discopathy, and
Instability- Thoracic Spondylosis and Discopathy- Lumbar Disk
Herniation- Lumbar Stenosis and Degenerative Spondylolisthesis-
Lytic and Dysplastic Spondylolisthesis- Pediatric Spinal Deformity-
Adult Scoliosis and Deformity- Primary Tumors and Cord Disorders-
Musculoskeletal and Metastatic Tumors- Complications
New and
Future Developments- Biologic Enhancement of Spinal Arthrodesis-
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Foxglove Summer and The Hanging Tree. Utilization management (UM) has become a strong trend in health care cost containment. Under UM, some decisions are not strictly made by the doctor and patient alone. Instead, they are now checked by a reviewer reporting to an employer or other paying party who asks whether or not the proposed type or location of care is medically necessary or appropriate. This book presents current findings about how UM is faring in practice and how it compares with other cost containment approaches, with recommendations for improving UM program administration and clinical protocols and for conducting further research. Long considered the "go-to" reference for orthopaedic trauma surgeons and pediatric orthopaedic trauma surgeons, Green's Skeletal Trauma in Children provides comprehensive, practical guidance on the management of traumatic musculoskeletal injuries in children and adolescents. The fully revised 6th Edition covers the latest techniques, procedures, outcomes measures, pearls and pitfalls, and rehabilitation advice for the modern management and understanding of skeletal trauma in children – all provided by "who's who" list of pediatric orthopaedic trauma experts. Includes updated, evidence-based information on the impact of trauma to the immature and growing skeleton with comprehensive coverage of incidence, mechanisms of injury, classifications, and treatment options and complications for fractures in all major anatomical regions. Employs a new succinct and clear format that emphasizes need-to-know material. Features practical, step-by-step videos online. Includes hundreds of high-quality line drawings, diagnostic images, and full-color clinical photos that facilitate learning and understanding of complex material. Includes separate chapters on key topics such as Nerve Injury and Repair in Children, Skeletal Trauma in Young Athletes, Nonaccidental Trauma, Anesthesia and Analgesia, and Rehabilitation of the Child with Multiple Injuries. Enhanced eBook version included with purchase. Your enhanced eBook allows you to access all of the text, figures, and references from the book on a variety of devices. This guide to successful practices in observation medicine covers both clinical and administrative aspects for a multinational audience. Cardiovascular Pathology, Fourth Edition, provides users with a comprehensive overview that encompasses its examination, cardiac structure, both normal and physiologically altered, and a multitude of abnormalities. This updated edition
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offers current views on interventions, both medical and surgical, and the pathology related to them. Congenital heart disease and its pathobiology are covered in some depth, as are vasculitis and neoplasias. Each section has been revised to reflect new discoveries in clinical and molecular pathology, with new chapters updated and written with a practical approach, especially with regards to the discussion of pathophysiology. New chapters reflect recent technological advances with cardiac devices, transplants, genetics, and immunology. Each chapter is highly illustrated and covers contemporary aspects of the disease processes, including a section on the role of molecular diagnostics and cytogenetics as specifically related to cardiovascular pathology. Customers buy the Print + Electronic product together! Serves as a contemporary, all-inclusive guide to cardiovascular pathology for clinicians and researchers, as well as clinical residents and fellows of pathology, cardiology, cardiac surgery, and internal medicine Offers new organization of each chapter to enable uniformity for learning and reference: Definition, Epidemiology, Clinical Presentation, Pathogenesis/Genetics, Light and Electron Microscopy/Immunohistochemistry, Differential Diagnosis, Treatment and Potential Complications Features six new chapters and expanded coverage of the normal heart and blood vessels, cardiovascular devices, congenital heart disease, tropical and infectious cardiac disease, and forensic pathology of the cardiovascular system Contains 400+ full color illustrations and an online image collection facilitate research, study, and lecture slide creation.

At the very heart of modern healthcare is a critical paradox. Today, as never before, healthcare has the ability to enhance the quality and duration of life. At the same time, healthcare has become so enormously costly that it can easily bankrupt governments and impoverish individuals and families. According to federal forecasters, by the year 2015 one in every five U.S. dollars will be spent on healthcare, for total annual healthcare spending of more than $4 trillion. While the cost of healthcare is going up, the number of individuals and families without health insurance coverage is increasing. For many, the miracles of modern medicine may be unaffordable. Health services research investigates the relationship between the factors of cost, quality, and access to healthcare and their impact upon medical outcomes (i.e., death, disease, disability, discomfort, and dissatisfaction with care). Health
services research addresses such key questions as, Why is the cost of healthcare always increasing? How can healthcare costs be successfully contained without jeopardizing quality? How can medical errors be eliminated? What is the medical impact of not having health insurance coverage? The proposed encyclopedia addresses these and other important questions and issues. Medical treatment guidelines are written from a clinical perspective, to guide clinical care. The review criteria that will be included in this issue of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation Clinics are evidence based and are developed by practicing physicians and advisors who work in physical medicine and rehabilitation. Health care providers are expected to be familiar with the guidelines and follow the recommendations. Good medical judgment is important in deciding how to use and interpret this information. This issue of the Surgical Clinics of North America devoted to Biliary Surgery will include discussions on the following topics: biliary anatomy and embryology; lithogenesis and bile metabolism; biliary imaging; cholecystitis; open cholecystectomy; biliary injuries; common bile duct exploration; disorders associated with gallstones; biliary dyskinesia; endoscopic evaluation of biliary disorders; biliary cysts; sclerosing cholangitis; proximal biliary malignancy; distal biliary malignancy; and laparoscopic cholecystectomy. The Second Edition of this comprehensive "how to" text has been completely revised and updated. This text outlines the basics of case management and illustrates some of the pitfalls encountered in the field of case management. The book provides information on the new Case Management Standards, supplies standard definitions and guidelines of case management for the practicing case manager, and presents information on caring for clients in a wide variety of health care settings. New to this edition--chapters focusing on Quality Reviews and Risk Management with a strong emphasis on Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI), ethical and legal issues, and various case studies. First multi-year cumulation covers six years: 1965-70. Guidelines for the clinical practice of medicine have been proposed as the solution to the whole range of current health care problems. This new book presents the first balanced and highly practical view of guidelines--their strengths, their limitations, and how they can be used most effectively to benefit health care. The volume offers Recommendations and a proposed framework for strengthening development and use of guidelines. Numerous
examples of guidelines. A ready-to-use instrument for assessing the soundness of guidelines. Six case studies exploring issues involved when practitioners use guidelines on a daily basis. With a real-world outlook, the volume reviews efforts by agencies and organizations to disseminate guidelines and examines how well guidelines are functioning--exploring issues such as patient information, liability, costs, computerization, and the adaptation of national guidelines to local needs. Advances in medical, biomedical and health services research have reduced the level of uncertainty in clinical practice. Clinical practice guidelines (CPGs) complement this progress by establishing standards of care backed by strong scientific evidence. CPGs are statements that include recommendations intended to optimize patient care. These statements are informed by a systematic review of evidence and an assessment of the benefits and costs of alternative care options. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust examines the current state of clinical practice guidelines and how they can be improved to enhance healthcare quality and patient outcomes. Clinical practice guidelines now are ubiquitous in our healthcare system. The Guidelines International Network (GIN) database currently lists more than 3,700 guidelines from 39 countries. Developing guidelines presents a number of challenges including lack of transparent methodological practices, difficulty reconciling conflicting guidelines, and conflicts of interest. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust explores questions surrounding the quality of CPG development processes and the establishment of standards. It proposes eight standards for developing trustworthy clinical practice guidelines emphasizing transparency; management of conflict of interest; systematic review--guideline development intersection; establishing evidence foundations for and rating strength of guideline recommendations; articulation of recommendations; external review; and updating. Clinical Practice Guidelines We Can Trust shows how clinical practice guidelines can enhance clinician and patient decision-making by translating complex scientific research findings into recommendations for clinical practice that are relevant to the individual patient encounter, instead of implementing a one size fits all approach to patient care. This book contains information directly related to the work of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), as well as various Congressional staff and policymakers. It is a vital resource for medical specialty societies,
disease advocacy groups, health professionals, private and international organizations that develop or use clinical practice guidelines, consumers, clinicians, and payers. This practical, "hands-on" guide includes vital information every case manager and administrator of a case management program need to be successful. A useful resource for working in the changing face of healthcare, it addresses case managers in all settings with an emphasis on nurse case managers and their role in providing patient care and containing costs. Focusing on the "nuts and bolts" aspects of case management, it discusses the operations of case management programs based on the authors' first hand experiences. Case Management Tip boxes in each chapter highlight important tips and provide easy access to this information. Case studies in several chapters address possible situations the case manager may confront along with the most effective solutions. Key points at the end of each chapter summarize pertinent information. Appendices provide extensive examples of forms and multidisciplinary action plans used in various healthcare settings. Six new chapters have been added on Utilization Management (Chapter 5), Transitional Planning (Chapter 6), Disease Management (Chapter 7), Application of Legal Concepts in Case Management Practice (Chapter 17), Ethical Issues in Case Management (Chapter 18), and Internet Resources and Case Management (Chapter 19). Content on Financial Reimbursement Systems has been expanded to cover community case management issues such as the new community reimbursement systems for ambulatory, home, and long-term care. Information on community-based models is covered in more detail in response to growth in this area - including managed care, telephonic, rehabilitation, sub-acute, and long-term and emergency department case management. The chapter on Skills for Successful Case Management has been expanded to include a discussion of additional skills such as clinical reasoning, cost-effectiveness, and negotiation among others. Content on Developing Case Management Plans has been updated to include more content on community plans and a detailed review of the types of case management plans, including algorithms. The chapter on Quality Patient Care has been updated to include an historical review, minimum data sets, report cards, and the relationships between outcomes and quality. Quality indicators and organizations across the continuum are included. Appendices have been expanded to
include community-based case management plans, home care plans, and long term care plans. A new CD-ROM with each book provides the entire text in an electronic format. This text contains the core body of knowledge for case management practice as delineated by the Case Management Society of America (CMSA), the largest professional organization of case managers. The core curriculum provides a "synthesis of case management evolution," and presents essential elements, concepts, and vision for current and future case management practice. This edition is significantly expanded to reflect the dynamic changes taking place in case management. Each chapter is organized in a consistent format that includes learning objectives; introduction; important terms and concepts; key definitions; and references. This book describes in detail the various techniques of minimally invasive thyroidectomy that have emerged in recent years and presents the new supportive equipment, including intraoperative monitoring and energy devices. In addition, the basic preoperative techniques that are a prerequisite to successful thyroidectomy are covered, and individual chapters are devoted to complications, outcomes, and post-thyroidectomy quality of life. Important related topics are also discussed, including guidelines for managing papillary and medullary thyroid cancer and the surgical management of metastatic lymph nodes. Both the editors and the authors are internationally renowned experts, and they include the founders of several of the techniques described. The up-to-date text is supplemented by many color pictures and medical illustrations, making the book very user-friendly and ideal for the busy surgeon or endocrinologist who is interested in the management of thyroid diseases. This book provides a road map for the efficient and successful management of atrial fibrillation (AF) in the short stay unit. It describes the problem, defines the measures of successful treatment, elucidates interventions, and supplies the tools for achieving quality care. Organized in four parts, it covers the impact of AF on patient populations; the presentation and management of AF; the transition to the outpatient environment; and systems management. Topics include the economic consequences of AF; cardioversion and cardiac implantable electronic devices in AF management; education of the AF patient and discharge planning; and quality metrics in AF. The book also provides order sheets and process criteria with which institutions can successfully manage the
AF patient in the short stay unit, thus optimizing patient outcomes, patient satisfaction, and operational efficiencies. Short Stay Management of Atrial Fibrillation is a valuable resource for cardiologists, emergency medicine physicians, electrophysiologists, and other healthcare professionals involved in AF management. In a rapidly growing field of neuromodulation against pain, this excellent publication presents a unique compilation of the latest theoretical and practical information for electrical stimulation of the peripheral nerves. Chapters cover the use of peripheral nerve stimulation in particular indications such as migraine, cluster headache, pain in Chiari malformation and fibromyalgia, as well as in specific body parts such as head and neck, trunk, and extremities. Furthermore, chapters on history, technical aspects, mechanism of action, terminology, complications and other important aspects of this pain-relieving modality give you a full overview of the field. Written by leading experts, this publication provides a comprehensive and updated summary of the currently available scientific information on peripheral nerve stimulation. All chapters contain original information making this book an invaluable reference for all who deal with the management of severe and chronic pain - including neurosurgeons and neurosurgical trainees, pain specialists and practitioners, anesthesiologists and neurologists.

In this volume, world authorities on spinal surgery from the fields of Neurosurgery, Orthopaedic Surgery, and Neuroscience present current data on the basic science and clinical management of the unstable spine. Unique to this book: a frank presentation of controversies in the field. Topics include contracting out health care services and cost-effectiveness. Sickle cell disease can be severe and disabling. When properly treated, patients live longer and with better quality life. This is a US government publication intended to provide evidence-based guidelines for the care of these patients for the use of all concerned providers as well as patients and family members. This book is available in print here for convenience. It is also available as a free download at http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-pro/guidelines/sickle-cell-disease-guidelines/Section 1557 is the nondiscrimination provision of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). This brief guide explains Section 1557 in more detail and what your practice needs to do to meet the requirements of this federal law. Includes sample notices of nondiscrimination, as well as taglines translated for the top 15 languages by state.