Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing
Constance Dahlin, Patrick Coyne, and Betty Ferrell (eds)

Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing is the first text devoted to advanced practice nursing care of seriously ill and dying patients and their families. This comprehensive work addresses all aspects of palliative care, including patients’ and families’ physical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs. Chapters cover the history and role of advanced practice palliative nursing, settings where advanced practice registered nurses deliver palliative care, the role and function of the palliative advanced practice registered nurse, advanced pain and symptom management, the importance of communication in palliative nursing, special populations needing a palliative care focus, pediatric palliative care, spiritual and existential issues, reimbursement, and nursing leadership on palliative care teams. Each chapter contains case examples supported by evidence based practice to ensure the highest quality of care. The text is written by leaders in the field, including authors who have pioneered the role of advanced practice registered nurses in palliative care. This volume offers advanced practice content and practical resources for clinical practice across all settings of care and encompassing all ages, from pediatrics to geriatrics.

Care of the Acutely Ill Adult
An essential guide for nurses
Fiona Creed and Christine Spiers (eds)

Using real life case studies to link knowledge to actual practice and written by senior nurses for nurses, this resource is essential for all nurses who work in acute care settings.

Care of the Imminently Dying
Judith Paice (ed.)
Skillful nursing care during the final hours of life can bring comfort and quality, not only to the patient but also to the patient’s loved ones who are attending the death. Symptom burden can increase during this time, and knowledgeable assessment and management are essential to providing a peaceful death. Common concerns during this time include delirium, dyspnea, death rattle, and cough. Urgent syndromes, such as superior vena cava obstruction, pleural effusion, pericardial effusion, hemoptysis, spinal cord compression, and hypercalcemia, require expert care. Although in most cases symptoms can be effectively managed, there are situations in which, despite aggressive management, symptoms remain uncontrolled. In these rare incidents of refractory symptoms, palliative sedation may be warranted. The goal of this therapy is to provide relief, not to hasten death. Finally, although assistive devices, such as mechanical ventilation, dialysis, and cardiac devices, replace failing organs, extend life, and improve quality of life by relieving symptom distress, there are times when the burden of these treatments exceeds the benefits. As a consequence, when the patient is near death or unresponsive, decisions may be made to cease these therapies. Palliative care, including expert nursing care along with an interdisciplinary team, is needed to provide a safe and comfortable experience during these final hours.

Caring Matters Most
The Ethical Significance of Nursing
Mark Lazenby

Through an exploration of the ethical nature of nursing, Caring Matters Most asserts that the act of nursing itself embodies goodness. Nurses can develop this goodness, or moral character, in themselves by cultivating five habits: trustworthiness, imagination, beauty, space, and presence. Practicing these habits will sustain nurses in their everyday work. The habit of trustworthiness can help nurses to meet the demands of the workplace. The habit of imagination is a counterbalance to the threat of automation, and the habit of beauty is a way for nurses to be good to themselves amid the daily difficulties the tasks of nursing present. The habit of space is a remedy to the incivilities that arise within the nursing community. The habit of presence encourages nurses to be grateful, and in turn, gratefulness puts nurses in the presence of the good of nursing. Ultimately, Caring Matters Most offers a vision of the good society that the work of nursing seeks to create—for the community of nurses and for the world.

Clinical Pocket Guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing
Constance Dahlin, Patrick Coyne, and Betty Ferrell (eds)

The Clinical Pocket Guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing is a companion guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing, the first text devoted to advanced practice nursing
care of the seriously ill and dying. Each chapter of this pocket guide presents point-of-care guidance on palliative care issues for quick reference in daily practice. Edited by leaders in the field, this handbook provides consistency in the nursing process from assessment to management and evaluation of symptoms and various clinical situations. The Clinical Pocket Guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing contains clinical pearls developed from the textbook and practical tools on pain and symptom assessment, functional status, and communication, making it an ideal resource for practicing advanced practice nurses.

Communicating Prognosis
Eelco F.M. Wijdicks

Prognostication of acute neurologic disease is a major task for neuro-hospitalists and neuro-intensivists. The family conference raises the delicate matter of how to decide that outcome is indefinitely poor and how to define disability. This online resource guides practitioners on how to communicate prognosis in acute neurologic conditions. It includes useful data on prognosis in all major neurologic conditions and provides practical advice on how to effectively lead such a conference and how to resolve potential conflicts. It also provides straightforward common sense on-the-spot advice and touches on all aspects of support of devastated families.

Critical Care Nursing Science and Practice
Sheila Adam, Sue Osborne, and John Welch (eds)

This textbook encompasses the knowledge, skills, and expertise needed to deliver excellent nursing care to critically ill patients. Emphasis is placed on a holistic and compassionate approach towards humanizing the impact of the environment, organ support, and monitoring, as well as critical illness itself. Chapters cover the general aspects of critical care such as the critical care environment or critical care continuum and specific organ systems and diseases. The structure of the systems chapters reminds the reader of the underlying anatomy and physiology as well as highlighting areas of particular relevance to critical care. The focus on priorities for management builds on the ABCDE assessment and offers insight into key interventions in urgent situations as well as outlining evidence-based practice. The book is ideal for those new to the critical care environment, but will also act as a reminder for more experienced nurses when faced with a new situation or when teaching/mentoring students. The patient and their family remain the centre of all This new edition brings the definitions, pathophysiology, and management of fast-changing and challenging areas such as ARDS, sepsis and multiple organ dysfunction, resuscitation, and acute kidney injury up to date as well as including any evidence-based changes associated with nursing

**Deconstructing the Interview**

Duncan Harding

The professional interview is a charged psychological encounter and hurdle, necessary for all of us to traverse in order to move on in our lives and careers. The interviewer is the gatekeeper who holds the keys to our brighter future. This book is a detailed examination of the interview experience and our role as the interviewee within it. This book does not consider the content required for any given interview; instead, it looks in detail at the interview processes and performance from a psychological perspective in order to be the best we can be. Deconstructing the Interview teaches a way of mindfully connecting with the interview space, operating externally in the room, and guiding our answers and performance with situational awareness and an enhanced understanding of the psychological factors at play. As well as communication skills, both verbal and non-verbal, this book considers in detail our interface with the external world around us; to improve and refine our interview skills, and to operate in the room as our true authentic selves. Here we accept and embrace anxiety as an essential part of this process, and we choose to be ‘mindfully anxious’. This book breaks down the interview stage and its players from a psychological perspective, and helps the reader build interview skills from the ground up. This is a new and novel approach in helping the reader prepare for the interview process, and builds on the author’s previous book in this series (Deconstructing the OSCE, 2014, OUP).

**The EACVI Echo Handbook**

Patrizio Lancellotti and Bernard Cosyns (eds)

Echocardiography has become the most requested imaging modalities. It is the first line imaging in the diagnostic work-up and monitoring of most cardiac diseases. Echocardiography is harmless and combines low-cost high technology with easy accessibility. The advent of the new modalities such as harmonic imaging, tissue Doppler imaging, speckle tracking, real time 3-dimensional imaging, ad contrast cavity enhancement have also contributed to expand the role of echocardiography. It provides rapid quantitative information about cardiac structure and function, valvular motion, vascular system and haemodynamics at bedside. This imaging technique is considered an extension of the physical examination. Proper technical skills and knowledge are required for the optimal application of echocardiography. Disease-focused and succinct, the present handbook covers the information needed to perform and interpret echocardiograms accurately,
including how to set up the echomachine to optimize an examination and how to perform echocardiographic disease assessment, and the clinical indicators, procedures, and contraindications. Sections include assessment of the left ventricular systolic dysfunction and diastolic function, discussion on ischaemic heart disease, heart valve disease, cardiomyopathies, pericardial disease, congenital heart disease, and many other aspects of echocardiology. Many talented people have contributed to the present handbook, which represents the pocket echocardiography book flagship of the European Association of Cardiovascular Imaging. This book is intended principally as a clinical guide to the broad field of echocardiography at a glance.

Emergencies in Adult Nursing
Philip Downing (ed.)

This guide enables nurses to identify which clinical problems are true emergencies, which require urgent attention and those that can wait – differential diagnoses for each clinical presentation are identified, along with the actions required to ensure effective treatment is provided.

Essential Revision Notes for the Cardiology KBA
Ali Khavandi

Aimed specifically at the Knowledge-Based Assessment, Revision Notes for Cardiology provides the first clear and accessible revision resource created specifically for this new and compulsory examination. Each chapter exactly maps the core cardiology training curriculum, giving measurable assurance that the information provided is what test-takers need to pass. Each chapter is written by a senior cardiology trainee in collaboration with a senior consultant who has expertise in that specific field, ensuring that the content is authoritative and draws on the latest guidelines and documents. Concise, bullet-points in the layout allow easy access to and digestion of the key points, and numerous tables, boxes and figures make this the ideal accompaniment to retaining the large and varied amount of information needed to pass the examination.

Geriatric Medicine: an Evidence-based Approach
Frank Lally and Christine Roffe (eds)
Geriatric medicine: an evidence based approach is an online clinical reference for health care professionals who manage older patients, and summarizes up-to-date research literature in a style that can be directly applied by busy healthcare professionals and provide a useful resource for reference. Because people are living longer and the population over the age of 60 is burgeoning, there are repercussions for health services and healthcare expenditure in developed countries. This online resource covers disease aetiology, diagnosis, and treatment specific to older people, and how they differ from those of the general adult population. Additionally, it covers the complicated co-morbidities older people often have and how they respond to treatment in different ways compared to younger people. It also addresses how evidence of efficacy of different treatments is often lacking because older people are under-represented in clinical trials.

**Handbook of Surgical Consent**

Rajesh Nair and David J. Holroyd (eds)

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This valuable tool, written by experts, offers practical guidance in the principles of consent, alongside procedure-specific information on risks and benefits.

**The Hospital and Clinic Improvement Handbook Using Lean and the Theory of Constraints for Better Healthcare Delivery**

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The Hospital and Clinic Improvement Handbook is about doing more using existing resources. For example, achieving more throughput in the operating rooms, reducing waiting times at the emergency department, and improving clinical quality. This is done using the well-established Lean techniques together with the breakthrough philosophies and techniques of the theory of constraints (TOC). These methods and their underlying tools are put together with techniques and methodologies implemented by the authors in dozens of healthcare organizations. The tools include the complete kit concept, the Pareto methodology, the focusing table, and the focusing matrix. The book introduces simple tools that can be implemented quite easily in any hospital or clinic. It also focuses on the implementation process using tools like the 3–1–1 model that directs managers where to focus their limited time resources to best improve the performance of their organizations. Finally, the book introduces effective yet simple performance measures and prescribes the process of ongoing improvement.
Fully updated and revised, the second edition of Integrative Nursing is a complete roadmap to holistic patient care, providing a step-by-step guide to assess and clinically treat conditions through a variety of combined methodologies including traditional and alternative therapies with all aspects of lifestyle. This text identifies both the skills and theoretical frameworks for interprofessional systems leaders to consider and implement integrative healthcare strategies within institutions, including several case studies involving practical nursing-led initiatives. This volume covers the foundations of the field; the most effective ways to optimize wellbeing; principles of symptom management for many common disorders like sleep, anxiety, pain, and cognitive impairment; the application of integrative nursing techniques in a variety of clinical settings and among a diverse patient population; and integrative practices around the world and how they impact planetary health. The academic rigor of the text is balanced by practical and relevant content that can be readily implemented into practice for both established professionals as well as students enrolled in undergraduate or graduate nursing programs. Integrative health and medicine is defined as healing-oriented care that takes account of the whole person (body, mind, and spirit) as well as all aspects of lifestyle; it emphasizes the therapeutic relationship and makes use of appropriate therapies, both conventional and alternative. Series editor Andrew Weil, MD, is Professor and Director of the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine at the University of Arizona. Dr. Weil’s program was the first such academic program in the U.S., and its stated goal is “to combine the best ideas and practices of conventional and alternative medicine into cost effective treatments without embracing alternative practices uncritically.”

Landmark Papers in Rheumatology
Richard A. Watts and David G. I. Scott (eds)

Rheumatic disease is a major cause of morbidity and disability in the Western world. There have been major developments in our understanding of the causes of rheumatic disease and in their treatment during the last half-century, and there are relatively few papers which can be regarded as truly 'landmark' in their construction and subsequent findings. Part of the Landmark Papers in series, this title provides a detailed review of the seminal papers that have paved the way for breakthroughs in the clinical management of the entire spectrum of rheumatic diseases.
Effective palliative care that rests on a sound ethical foundation requires ongoing discussions about patient and family values and preferences. This is especially important when addressing care at end-of-life including artificial nutrition and hydration, withdrawal of life-sustaining therapies and palliative sedation as well as requests for assistance in hastening death. The eighth volume in the HPNA Palliative Nursing Manuals series, Legal and Ethical Aspects of Palliative Care, provides an overview of critical communication skills and formal organizational mechanisms, such as ethics committees and interdisciplinary rounds, required for decisions in ethical dilemmas which respect diversity in the views of colleagues, as well as patients. The content of the concise, clinically focused volumes in the HPNA Palliative Nursing Manuals series is one resource for nurses preparing for specialty certification exams and provides a quick-reference in daily practice.

Manual of Simulation in Healthcare
Richard H. Riley (ed.)

The use of simulation-based education has become widely embedded in almost all areas of healthcare. Medical educators have enthusiastically accepted the range of techniques offered by simulation to enhance, supplement, and excite learners at all levels of their lifelong education. This manual outlines the principles and practices of simulation that have application to every level of healthcare education. Its role in supplementing traditional educational techniques, as well as introducing newer methodologies for learning, assessment, and research, are included. In this second edition, all chapters and the glossary have been updated to reflect the changes in our understanding of the optimal use of simulation. The authors have generously included their own suggestions, tips, examples, and even programme outlines to help you get started. Finally, new chapters that focus on patient safety, interprofessional education, and intensive care medicine have been introduced. This may be the only healthcare simulation book you will ever need.

MBA for Healthcare
Joseph Sanfilippo, Eric Bieber, David Javitch, and Richard Siegrist
MBA for Healthcare is designed to provide healthcare providers with a modus operandi for virtually all aspects of “the business of medicine.” This educational book is a unique tool, and it has been designed with healthcare providers at all levels in mind so that they may promptly acquire basic and advanced knowledge regarding the business aspects of medicine. It is most important that clinicians and allied health professionals understand the essentials of healthcare management. The increased visibility of managed care and value-based purchasing, the uncertain future of independent medical practices, and marketing and competitive advantage now have a greater significance. Healthcare professionals must now be familiar with at least some aspects of informational technology, which is become increasingly relevant to the practice of medicine. Learning about cost accounting is also essential for incorporating clinical ideas into resource-based decisions. In addition, the field of “organizational behavior” is extremely germane to all healthcare providers.

A Medic’s Guide to Essential Legal Matters
Jane Sturgess, Derek Duane, and Rebekah Ley (eds)

Patient expectations for immediate, risk-free healthcare have never been greater; the scrutiny that the medical profession face to deliver this perfect care has also never been greater; the complexity of the law under which we work and practise is ever-increasing, yet clinicians are meant to have an up-to-date understanding of all these matters. Many legal texts are written in ‘legalese’ language, which may be off-putting or confusing to the medical professional, especially in times of urgency and stress. This book has been written in an attempt to overcome these concerns while specifically aimed at the non-legally trained healthcare practitioner. It offers pragmatic easy-to-access information and guidance for the busy clinician needing to check the legal landscape before, during, or after treatments and consultations. This book is designed to be your number one reference for all medicolegal matters that demand an immediate answer. Each chapter details pertinent case law, statutes and legislation, and professional guidance, before considering specific aspects of medicolegal importance. Sections of text are complimented with a ‘key points’ summary box to act as a reminder or revision aid. Further reading is suggested at the end of each chapter, including links to websites that can provide up-to-date advice as the law changes and evolves. An alphabetical glossary of legal terms at the end of the book offers a rapid and easy reference that supports every chapter.