Occupational And Environmental Health: Recognizing And Preventing Disease And Injury (Levy, Occupational And Environmental Health)

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Synopsis
This thoroughly updated Fifth Edition is a comprehensive, practical guide to recognizing, preventing, and treating work-related and environmentally-induced injuries and diseases. Chapters by experts in medicine, industry, labor, government, safety, ergonomics, environmental health, and psychology address the full range of clinical and public health concerns. Numerous case studies, photographs, drawings, graphs, and tables help readers understand key concepts. This edition features new chapters on environmental health, including water pollution, hazardous waste, global environmental hazards, the role of nongovernmental organizations in environmental health, and responding to community environmental health concerns. Other new chapters cover conducting workplace investigations and assessing and enforcing compliance with health and safety regulations.

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This book is packed with information. Unfortunately the format makes it difficult to read. It is printed with two column per page so each column has very few words and the sentences are broken up into several lines. The text is small. The table of contents has a strange organization so it takes some real searching to locate information on a topic in the book. Overall the book provides a lot of information at a reasonable cost.

I found the style to be verbose thus hiding the important content in a sea of pages. However, the
index is well done and directs the reader to specific content well.

Great book for the professional, a bit hard to read but a must for those people who work in the field

why this cant be read aloud using Ipad voice over function? It’s so frustrating.

Its just superficial aspect of Occupational Medicine

This 5th edition is very in depth for medically qualified people active in occupational and therefore also in environmental health. All aspects, medical, social, even political, are fully discussed. Appropriately this sentence is stressed: Screening and monitoring, in and of themselves, prevent nothing; only the appropriate intervention, in response to results of these tests can prevent. However, nowhere is it precisely stated which results should have an intervention as a result. I bought this book because my “Industrial Chemical Exposure. Guidelines for Biological Monitoring” by Robert R. Lauwerys and Perrine Hoet. 2nd ed. Lewis, Boca Raton, 1993, looked a bit outdated. I must confess, in my new acquisition I miss pages 290-305 of the old one (16 pages of tables, titled “Biological Monitoring of Chemical Agents", with a column each for 1. Chemical agent 2. Parameter, 3. Biological material, 4. Reference value, 5. Tentative maximal permissible value, 6. Remarks.) For that kind of data the new text refers to the websites of the CDC, ATSDR, etc. There, it is not that simple to find intervention limits for the hundreds of chemical nuisances.

useful book

This is the assigned text for an Occupational Safety course as part of my masters program. While only a few chapters in, this text is severely one-sided (ultra-liberal) and does not present information in an unbiased, scientific manner. It only cites studies sympathetic to a liberal/progressive mindset, and does not offer alternative viewpoints. It presents the opinion that only government can make industry safe and that capitalism is the cause of all the evils in the world. In terms of a scientific, academic book, it does not exhibit the scientific method in presenting information. I'm sure that there are better occupational safety books out there and wish my professor had chosen one.

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