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Synopsis

This handbook provides an easily navigable source of information about the day-to-day management of patients requiring palliative and hospice care. Succinct, evidence-based, topically focused content is supplemented by extensive tables and algorithms. The table of contents and balance of coverage follows the core curriculum of the American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine, thus meeting the educational and clinical information needs of students, residents, fellows, and nurse practitioners. An expert team of clinicians, led by world renowned Eduardo Bruera, address approach to care; psychosocial and spiritual issues; impending death; grief and bereavement; assessment and management of pain; management of non-pain symptoms such as nausea, dyspnea, depression, insomnia, and bleeding; communication and team work; and ethical and legal decision making.

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The only negative about this work is it will be outdated when a new edition hits the stands, soon I would expect. Palliative care continues to establish best practices. This handbook covers just about everything. I would say everyone (medical provider, nurses, social worker, mental health, chaplain, CNA's, etc.) should all have read this and either have a copy on their own shelves or in the facility library.
I was looking for a small portable book to assist me in both my education and decision making in palliative care. This little book is a treasure. Easy to read, well organized and portable.

If you are serious about your work in Hospice then you must have this book to help guide you, it is the bible for hospice providers.

For the size of the book, comprehensive, well organized, thoughtful and thought provoking. A holistic approach. Simple symptom relief strategies and responses to palliative emergencies are also provided.

Very informative about issues relating to the chronic and terminal illnesses, signs and symptoms, as well as what to expect in the different stages of an illness, lab values and significance, and medications. I used this book to study for the Hospice and Palliative Nurse Certification exam.


Great resource.

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