Synopsis

Deliver the best patient care before, during, and after surgery with this straightforward, step-by-step guide to surgical skills and operating room procedures. It provides comprehensive coverage of all the updated AST Core Curriculum, 6th Edition components • health care sciences, technological sciences, patient care concepts, surgical technology, and surgical procedures. A mentoring approach makes even complex skills and techniques easy to understand. User-friendly features such as full-color illustrations, chapter outlines and summaries, review questions, critical thinking exercises, and technique boxes help you focus on the most important concepts and make it easier to retain and recall critical information. Chapter objectives correspond to the latest AST Core Curriculum objectives to ensure you have access to the most reliable information in the operating room. Enhanced critical thinking scenarios at the end of each chapter help you strengthen your critical thinking and clinical decision-making skills and highlight practical applications of key concepts. Additional information on special populations, including bariatric, pregnant, physically or mentally challenged, isolation, trauma, language barrier, and substance abuse patients, highlights important considerations for the surgical technologist regarding transfer, preparation, and procedure set up. Expanded coverage of surgical lasers keeps you up to date with the latest technology so you can effectively assess the function, assembly, use, and care of equipment in the surgical suite. UPDATED! Coverage reflects the new AST Core Curriculum, 6th Edition to keep you current. NEW! Chapters on Disaster Preparedness and Response and Transplant Surgery offer cutting-edge information on these key topics. Coverage of the Assistant Circulator role, as well as a break down of first and second scrub roles, help you better understand the responsibilities of each member of the surgical team.

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Customer Reviews

This is a Surgical Technologist text book that many schools use. It’s a decent book but I find it contradictory in many areas. Each chapter starts with an introduction explaining what is in the chapter. Then when you get to each section, it contradicts the material in the introduction which my entire ST class finds very confusing.

This book is an excellent introduction to various aspects of the many different surgeries and procedures in use, such as anatomy, instrumentation, and OR duties. It also contains a solid introduction to ethics. Overall, a useful book for the budding medical student, or for anyone interested in surgery.

I find the Fuller text have to have a great many error in it. The teacher resource of Powerpoints will have a title on a slide and show a picture of something entirely different. For example; there is a slide titled "ventriculo peritoneal shunt" and shows a cross section of a lumbar spine. On the next page it says "ventriculo peritoneal and ventriculo ARTERIAL (rather than atrial). Another example is where it defines both systole and diastole as the contraction of the heart. It can be quite confusing for students. It was clear that this book was written by a circulating nurse. As certification is the ultimate goal, I prefer and recommend the AST book. It is now in the 4th edition and available electronically. Since it's AST it is written for the certification exam. I have thoroughly reviewed both and AST's is far superior in my opinion.

Arrived on time and exactly as described! Honestly, I was skeptical that this textbook still came with the DVD so you can imagine my utter surprise when not only did it come with the DVD, but it was also unopened. I needed this for a medical course and as far as I know the information is accurate. The only con would be that the writing itself is quite dry, and there isn't as many pictures as I would've liked but it's what I needed and I got it for cheap. Kudos to everyone involved.

Very detailed and easy to understand!!! I love the way this book is formatted! It takes me time to
learn and this book helps me to take in the information easily..com makes it easy to find what you need and the prices aren’t bad either. I rate at 9.99! Almost perfect in what they do!

Definitely worth the investment! This book in my book store is running for double the price I got it for. It had a little writing in it but still worth the investment! I would recommend this to anyone in the surgical technology program at Robert Morris University or elsewhere using this edition.

Tough book to learn from due to all the mistakes in the text and workbook answer key. Mislabeled pictures, tons of spelling and grammar mistakes, incorrect, ambiguous and conflicting info presented. Every chapter has mistakes. An editing nightmare. My whole class and instructors want to pull our hair out. I don’t recommend this book to any program director. Unfortunately we are too far into it and are stuck with weeding through the mistakes. Too bad, I heard the 4th edition was very good.

I needed this book for the Our Lady of the Lake Surgical Technology program. You can’t pass without this book. It explains surgical procedures so clearly, a middle school student could understand it. The pictures flow with the reading material to give you a clear visual of the anatomy and the current step in a procedure. It was in excellent condition and included the DVD when I purchased it from facetextbooks for only $6.54!!!

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