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A clinical guide for all health specialists needing practical, relevant and comprehensive information on managing the elderly patient.

Advanced Practice Nursing:Essential Knowledge for the Profession, Fourth Edition is a core advanced practice text used in both Master's Level and DNP programs.

This report looks at payment reform, one of many policy tools being used to improve health system performance.

First multi-year cumulation covers six years: 1965-70.

Community and primary health care nursing is a rapidly growing field. Founded on the social model of health, the primary health care approach explores how social, environmental, economic and political factors affect the health of the individual and communities, and the role of nurses and other health care practitioners in facilitating an equitable and collaborative health care process. An Introduction to Community and Primary Health Care provides an engaging introduction to the theory, skills and range of professional roles in community settings. This edition has been fully revised to include current research and practice, and includes three new chapters on health informatics, refugee health nursing and developing a career in primary health care. Written by an expert team, this highly readable text is an indispensable resource for any reader undertaking a course in community and primary health care and developing their career in the community.

The new edition of Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing focuses on practice in mental health and psychiatric care integrating theory and the realities of practice. Mental wellness is featured as a concept, and the consideration of a range of psychosocial factors helps students contextualise mental illness and psychiatric disorders. The holistic approach helps the student and the beginning practitioner understand the complex causation of mental illness, its diagnosis, effective interventions and treatments, and the client's experience of mental illness.

Provides foundational knowledge and understanding of the implementation and use of electronic health records (EHRs)Explains the system design life cycle of an electronic health record implementationProvides methods for evaluating patient and population health outcomesNumerous appendices provide supporting material and examples including a project timeline, workflow process map, and test script examples This comprehensive reference provides foundational knowledge on electronic health records (EHRs) for the delivery of quality nursing care. Chapters cover descriptions of EHR

components and functions, federal regulations within the HITECH Act, privacy and security considerations, interfaces and interoperability, design, building, testing, implementation, maintenance and evaluating outcomes. Key reference for nurse executives, nurse directors, nurse managers, advanced practice nurses, nurse researchers, nurse educators, and nurse informaticists. Foreword by: W. Ed Hammond, Ph.D., FACMI, FAIMBE, FHL7, FIMIA

Published in association with the MGMA and written for physician leaders and senior healthcare managers as well as those involved in smaller practices, Physician Practice Management: Essential Operational and Financial Knowledge provides a comprehensive overview of the breadth of knowledge required to effectively manage a medical group practice today. Distinguished experts cover a range of topics while taking into special consideration the need for a broader and more detailed knowledge base amongst physicians, practice managers and healthcare managers. Important Notice: The digital edition of this book is missing some of the images or content found in the physical edition.

Kozier and Erb's Fundamentals of Nursing prepares students for practice in a range of diverse clinical settings and help them understand what it means to be a competent professional nurse in the twenty-first century. This third Australian edition has once again undergone a rigorous review and writing process. Contemporary changes in the regulation of nursing are reflected in the chapters and the third edition continues to focus on the three core philosophies: Person-centred care, critical thinking and clinical reasoning and cultural safety. Students will develop the knowledge, critical thinking and clinical reasoning skills to deliver care for their patients in ways that signify respect, acceptance, empathy, connectedness, cultural sensitivity and genuine concern.

Historically, community health nursing has responded to the changing health care needs of the community and continues to meet those needs in a variety of diverse roles and settings. Community Health Nursing: Caring for the Public's Health, Second Edition reflects this response and is representative of what communities signify in the United States--a unified society made up of many different populations and unique health perspectives. This text provides an emphasis on population-based nursing directed toward health promotion and primary prevention in the community. It is both community-based and community-focused, reflecting the current dynamics of the health care system. The Second Edition contains new chapters on disaster nursing and community collaborations during emergencies. The chapters covering Family health, ethics, mental health, and pediatric nursing have all been significantly revised and updated.

This report highlights changes in general practice activity in Australia over the most recent decade

(April 2002 to March 2012) of the BEACH program, a national cross-sectional study of general practice activity. Over this time 9,802 GPs provided details of 980,200 GP-patient encounters. The report highlights changes that have occurred over the decade in the characteristics of GPs and the patients they see, the problems managed, and the treatments provided. Changes in prevalence of overweight and obesity, smoking status and alcohol use are also described for subsamples of more than 30,000 adult patients each year. This report is a companion to the annual report, General practice activity in Australia 2011-12.

The NP Guide: Essential Knowledge for Nurse Practitioner Practice 3rd Edition

Leadership in Nursing Practice: The Intersection of Innovation and Teamwork in Healthcare Systems, Fourth Edition gives nursing students the tools and knowledge they need to develop the leadership skill set to be successful as a clinical nurse.

Designed specifically for graduate-level nursing informatics courses, this is the first text to focus on using technology with an interprofessional team to improve patient care and safety. It delivers an expansive and innovative approach to devising practical methods of optimizing technology to foster quality of patient care and support population health initiatives. Based on the requirements of the DNP Essential IV Core Competency for Informatics and aligning with federal policy health initiatives, the book describes models of information technology the authors have successfully used in health IT, as well as data and analytics used in business, for-profit industry, and not-for-profit health care association settings, which they have adapted for nursing practice in order to foster optimal patient outcomes. The authors espouse a hybrid approach to teaching with a merged competency and concept-based curriculum. With an emphasis on the benefits of an interprofessional team, the book describes the most effective approaches to health care delivery using health information technology. It describes a nursing informatics model that is comprised of three core domains: point-of-care technology, data management and analytics, and patient safety and quality. The book also includes information on point-of-care applications, population health, data management and integrity, and privacy and security. New and emerging technologies explored include genomics, nanotechnology, artificial intelligence, and data mining. Case studies and critical thinking exercises support the concept-based curriculum and facilitate out-of-the-box thinking. Supplemental materials for instructors include PowerPoint slides and a test bank. While targeted primarily for the nursing arena, the text is also of value in medicine, health information management, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. Key Features: Addresses DNP Essential IV Core Competency for Informatics Focuses specifically on using nursing informatics expertise to improve population health, quality, and safety Advocates an interprofessional team approach to optimizing health IT in all practice settings Stimulates critical thinking skills that can be applied to all aspects of IT health care delivery Discusses newest approaches to interprofessional education for IT health care delivery

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.

"World Health Organization (WHO) has drawn up a comprehensive set of strategies to help countries encourage health workers to live and work in remote and rural areas. These include refining the ways students are selected and educated, as well as creating better working and living conditions ... The guidelines are a practical tool all countries can use. As such, they complement the WHO Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel, adopted by the Sixty-third World Health Assembly."--Preface.

Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing is the first text devoted to advanced practice nursing care of the seriously ill and dying. This comprehensive work addresses all aspects of palliative care including physical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs. Chapters include: symptoms common in serious illness, pediatric palliative care, spiritual and existential issues, issues around the role and function of the advanced practice nurse (APN), reimbursement, and nursing leadership on palliative care teams. Each chapter contains case examples and a strong evidence base to support the highest quality of care. The text is written by leaders in the field and includes authors who have pioneered the role of the advanced practice nurse 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.

The concept of "the craft of caring" dictates that the basis of good nursing practice is a combination of both art and science, encouraging nurses to take a holistic approach to the practice of psychiatric and mental health nursing. Supported by relevant theory, research, policy, and philosophy, this volume reflects current developments in nursing practice and the understanding of mental health disorders. The book includes case studies of patients with anxiety, schizophrenia, and bipolar disorder as well as victims of sexual abuse, those with an eating disorder, homeless patients, and those with dementia and autism.

Addressing all major advanced practice nursing competencies, roles, and issues, Advanced Practice

Nursing: An Integrative Approach, 5th Edition provides a clear, comprehensive, and current introduction to APN today. It applies APN core competencies to the major APN roles — including the burgeoning Nurse Practitioner role — and covers topics ranging from the evolution of APN to evidence-based practice, leadership, ethical decision-making, and health policy. This edition includes a new chapter on the international development of APN, new and enhanced illustrations, and a colorful new reader-friendly format for improved readability. From internationally known APN experts Ann Hamric, Charlene Hanson, Mary Fran Tracy, and Eileen O'Grady, along with a host of internationally recognized APN contributors, *Advanced Practice Nursing* introduces you to APN and helps you identify an APN role, develop key competencies for that role, and succeed as an APN. Coverage of APN core competencies defines and describes all competencies, including direct clinical practice, guidance and coaching, consultation, evidence-based practice (EBP), leadership, collaboration, and ethical decision-making. Operationalizes and applies APN core competencies to the major APN specialties including the Clinical Nurse Specialist, the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner, the Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, the Certified Nurse-Midwife, and the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. Content on managing APN environments addresses such factors as business planning and reimbursement; marketing, negotiating, and contracting; regulatory, legal, and credentialing requirements; health policy issues; and nursing outcomes and performance improvement research. Unique Exemplar boxes provide real-life scenarios, showing APN competencies in action. In-depth discussions of educational strategies show how nurses develop competencies as they progress into advanced practice. Discussions of APN role development clearly explain the career trajectory that you can anticipate as you transition to advanced practice.

Publisher's Note: Products purchased from 3rd Party sellers are not guaranteed by the Publisher for quality, authenticity, or access to any online entitlements included with the product. Focusing on the information every nurse should know and capturing cutting-edge advances in a rapidly changing field, this practical text helps students build the communication and information literacy skills they need to integrate informatics into practice. This edition retains the key coverage of the previous edition, including office cloud computing software, interoperability, consumer informatics, telehealth, clinical information systems, social media use guidelines, and software and hardware developments, while offering new information and references throughout. Highlights of the 6th Edition Updated coverage Built-in learning aids Integrated QSEN scenarios Available with CoursePoint for Informatics and Nursing, 6th Edition Combining the world-class content of this text with Lippincott's innovative learning tools in one easy-to-use digital environment, Lippincott CoursePoint transforms the teaching and learning experience, making the full spectrum of nursing education more approachable than ever for you and your students. This powerful solution is designed for the way students learn, providing didactic content in the context of real-life scenarios—at the exact moments when students are connecting theory to application. Features Create an active learning environment that engages students of various learning styles. Deliver a diverse array of content types—interactive learning modules, quizzes, and more—designed for today's interactive learners. Address core concepts while inspiring critical thinking. Reinforce understanding with instant SmartSense remediation links that connect students to the exact content they need at the precise moment they need it. Analyze results and adapt teaching methods to better meet individual students' strengths and weaknesses. Empower students to

learn at their own pace in an online environment available anytime, anywhere.

Winner of two first place AJN Book of the Year Awards! This award-winning resource uniquely integrates national goals with nursing practice to achieve safe, efficient quality of care through technology management. The heavily revised third edition emphasizes the importance of federal policy in digitally transforming the U.S. healthcare delivery system, addressing its evolution and current policy initiatives to engage consumers and promote interoperability of the IT infrastructure nationwide. It focuses on ways to optimize the massive U.S. investment in HIT infrastructure and examines usability, innovative methods of workflow redesign, and challenges with electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs). Additionally, the text stresses documentation challenges that relate to usability issues with EHRs and sub-par adoption and implementation. The third edition also explores data science, secondary data analysis, and advanced analytic methods in greater depth, along with new information on robotics, artificial intelligence, and ethical considerations. Contributors include a broad array of notable health professionals, which reinforces the book's focus on interprofessionalism. Woven throughout are the themes of point-of-care applications, data management, and analytics, with an emphasis on the interprofessional team. Additionally, the text fosters an understanding of compensation regulations and factors. New to the Third Edition: Examines current policy initiatives to engage consumers and promote nationwide interoperability of the IT infrastructure Emphasizes usability, workflow redesign, and challenges with electronic clinical quality measures Covers emerging challenge proposed by CMS to incorporate social determinants of health Focuses on data science, secondary data analysis, citizen science, and advanced analytic methods Revised chapter on robotics with up-to-date content relating to the impact on nursing practice New information on artificial intelligence and ethical considerations New case studies and exercises to reinforce learning and specifics for managing public health during and after a pandemic COVID-19 pandemic-related lessons learned from data availability, data quality, and data use when trying to predict its impact on the health of communities Analytics that focus on health inequity and how to address it Expanded and more advanced coverage of interprofessional practice and education (IPE) Enhanced instructor package Key Features: Presents national standards and healthcare initiatives as a guiding structure throughout Advanced analytics is reflected in several chapters such as cybersecurity, genomics, robotics, and specifically exemplify how artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) support related professional practice Addresses the new re-envisioned AACN essentials Includes chapter objectives, case studies, end-of-chapter exercises, and questions to reinforce understanding Aligned with QSEN graduate-level competencies and the expanded TIGER (Technology Informatics Guiding Education Reform) competencies.

Nursing's national accrediting bodies, including the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education and the National League for Nursing Accreditation Commission, demand that nursing curriculum include and emphasize professional standards. This new edition provides information on these professional standards by including chapters relevant to various aspects of advanced nursing practice, including changes in the national health care agenda, the 2010 Affordable Care Act, and the Institute of Medicine (IOM) 2010 report on the future of nursing. With the explosion of the DNP, the revision of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Master's Essentials, and the refinement and development of the Clinical Nurse Leader role, this text is a timely resource for the next generation

of advanced practice nursing.

This comprehensive, peer-reviewed resource sets the standard for nephrology nursing clinical practice. Written by experts in the field, the 2020 edition presents the newest information regarding kidney disease, its treatment, and the nursing care involved. New and updated content reflects current policy and terminology, including health information technology, collaboration with ESRD Networks, economics of ESRD reimbursement, nutritional needs of patients undergoing bariatric surgery, nutritional needs of pregnant patients, advance care planning, palliative care, and end-of-life care. The seventh edition contains almost 1,800 pages divided into two volumes, includes self-assessment questions, and provides more than 60 nursing continuing professional development contact hours and almost 12 pharmacology hours.

This exceptional text builds your knowledge of pharmacology by first providing an overview of pharmacologic principles and then teaching you how to apply those principles to clinical practice. Focusing on applying pharmacologic scientific knowledge to clinical practice, it explains diagnostic and treatment reasoning and rational drug selection, while providing useful clinical pearls from experienced practitioners.

A updated overview of Australia's health care system, addressing its core features, concepts and issues *Understanding the Australian Health Care System*, 2nd edition is an excellent university book for undergraduate and postgraduate students alike. Published four years after the original, this second edition has been fully revised to reflect major Australian health care reform. Its fully up-to-date content includes current governmental and legislative changes impacting Australia's health care system. Other topics addressed include quality and safety within the system, health insurance in Australia - both public and private - the PBS and integrated medicine. This outstanding medical book delves deeply into the system's theoretical framework, structure and organisation and includes comparisons with the US and UK health care systems. This new edition of *Understanding the Australian Health Care System* will be a valuable reference for those studying health science, health promotion, sports and exercise science, physiotherapy, human services, nursing, midwifery, medicine, paramedicine, health system management, medical radiations science and health informatics. Online student and instructor resources Stronger focus on social determinants throughout text Addresses a wide range of health professions - now including disability professionals and social workers Current theoretical framework for healthcare reform (Tuohy 2009) Stronger focus on social determinants throughout text Addresses current position on national registration Features an excellent ancillary package on Elsevier's Evolve platform Includes three new chapters addressing: disability professionals; quality and safety; and social work Reflects major health care reform in Australia (COAG 2009) Discusses current theoretical framework for healthcare reform (Tuohy 2009) New contributors *General Practice Nursing* is the first Australian textbook developed specifically for practice nurses. The textbook provides practice nurses with information on a range of clinical and professional topics in a concise, easy to read format. This textbook offers practice nurses information on a range of clinical and professional topics in a concise, easy to read format. *General Practice Nursing* offers evidence based, contextual information supported by case studies to assist nurses in applying theory to practice. Clinical topics such as immunisation, triage, mental health, wound management, pharmacology and chronic disease management will be coupled with more broad, general topics such as the

role of the practice nurse, the Australian health system, the scope of general practice, building research capacity, evidence based practice, continuing professional development and nurse led care. To encourage reflective practice, each chapter includes questions throughout the text, testimonials and reflection questions. *General Practice Nursing* uses a similar format to the highly successful textbook *John Murtagh's General Practice*, with colourful, easy to read headings and photographs.

Chronic Care Nursing: A Framework for Practice provides a comprehensive and accessible overview of the role of the nurse in dealing with chronic conditions across a variety of healthcare settings in Australia and New Zealand. The first part of the book provides a road map for the implementation of chronic care, by outlining how two essential approaches to chronic care management - the Chronic Care Model and the World Health Organization's Innovative Care for Chronic Conditions Framework - can help to improve patient outcomes at both national and international levels. The second part devotes separate chapters to key conditions - including dementia, disability, palliative care and mental health - and highlights the pressing contemporary considerations of each condition. Written by an expert author team of clinicians and academics, this book is full of helpful educational tools such as national competencies, case studies and reflective questions, and is an indispensable resource for students and registered nurses.

Special edition of the Federal Register, containing a codification of documents of general applicability and future effect ... with ancillaries.

The Future of Nursing explores how nurses' roles, responsibilities, and education should change significantly to meet the increased demand for care that will be created by health care reform and to advance improvements in America's increasingly complex health system. At more than 3 million in number, nurses make up the single largest segment of the health care work force. They also spend the greatest amount of time in delivering patient care as a profession. Nurses therefore have valuable insights and unique abilities to contribute as partners with other health care professionals in improving the quality and safety of care as envisioned in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) enacted this year. Nurses should be fully engaged with other health professionals and assume leadership roles in redesigning care in the United States. To ensure its members are well-prepared, the profession should institute residency training for nurses, increase the percentage of nurses who attain a bachelor's degree to 80 percent by 2020, and double the number who pursue doctorates. Furthermore, regulatory and institutional obstacles -- including limits on nurses' scope of practice -- should be removed so that the health system can reap the full benefit of nurses' training, skills, and knowledge in patient care. In this book, the Institute of Medicine makes recommendations for an action-oriented blueprint for the future of nursing.

Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing has established itself as Australia and New Zealand's foremost mental health nursing text and is an essential resource for all undergraduate nursing students. This new edition has been thoroughly revised and updated to reflect current research and changing attitudes about mental health, mental health services and mental health nursing in Australia and New Zealand. Set within a recovery and consumer-focused framework, this text provides vital information for approaching the most familiar disorders mental health nurses and students will see in clinical practice, along with helpful suggestions about what the mental health nurse can say and do to interact effectively with consumers and their families. Visit evolve.elsevier.com for your additional re-

sources: eBook on Vital Source Resources for Students and Instructors: Student practice questions Test bank Case studies Powerful consumer story videos 3 new chapters: - Physical health care: addresses the physical health of people with mental health problems and the conditions that have an association with increased risk of mental health problems - Mental health promotion: engages with the ways in which early intervention can either prevent or alleviate the effects of mental health problems - Challenging behaviours: presents a range of risk assessments specifically focused upon challenging behaviours Now addresses emerging issues, such as: - The transitioning of mental health care to primary care - The development of peer and service user led services, accreditation and credentialing - Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program

A “must have” text for all healthcare professionals practicing in the digital age of healthcare. Nursing Informatics for the Advanced Practice Nurse, Second Edition, delivers a practical array of tools and information to show how advanced practice nurses can maximize patient safety, quality of care, and cost savings through the use of technology. Since the first edition of this text, health information technology has only expanded. With increased capability and complexity, the current technology landscape presents new challenges and opportunities for interprofessional teams. Nurses, who are already trained to use the analytic process to assess, analyze, and intervene, are in a unique position to use this same process to lead teams in addressing healthcare delivery challenges with data. The only informatics text written specifically for advanced practice nurses, Nursing Informatics for the Advanced Practice Nurse, Second Edition, takes an expansive, open, and innovative approach to thinking about technology. Every chapter is highly practical, filled with case studies and exercises that demonstrate how the content presented relates to the contemporary healthcare environment. Where applicable, concepts are aligned with the six domains within the Quality and Safety Education in Nursing (QSEN) approach and are tied to national goals and initiatives. Featuring chapters written by physicians, epidemiologists, engineers, dieticians, and health services researchers, the format of this text reflects its core principle that it takes a team to fully realize the benefit of technology for patients and healthcare consumers. What’s New Several chapters present new material to support teams’ optimization of electronic health records Updated national standards and initiatives Increased focus and new information on usability, interoperability and workflow redesign throughout, based on latest evidence Explores challenges and solutions of electronic clinical quality measures (eCQMs), a major initiative in healthcare informatics; Medicare and Medicaid Services use eCQMs to judge quality of care, and how dynamics change rapidly in today’s environment Key Features Presents national standards and healthcare initiatives Provides in-depth case studies for better understanding of informatics in practice Addresses the DNP Essentials, including II: Organization and system leadership for quality improvement and systems thinking, IV: Core Competency for Informatics, and Interprofessional Collaboration for Improving Patient and Population health outcomes Includes end-of-chapter exercises and questions for students Instructor’s Guide and PowerPoint slides for instructors Aligned with QSEN graduate-level competencies

Ensure you are thoroughly prepared to work in the rapidly evolving world of nursing. Written by expert authors Barbara Cherry and Susan Jacob Contemporary Nursing: Issues, Trends, & Management, 8th Edition provides an overview of both issues within nursing practice and topics facing today’s nurse managers and leaders. The 20th anniversary edition of this comprehensive guide empha-

sizes the importance of working in an interdisciplinary environment and takes you through the evolution of nursing, safe and effective decision-making, the nursing role, collaboration and communication, leadership, and job opportunities. New to this edition is coverage of health issues affecting the LGBTQ community, hospice care, how to respond to active shooter events, and a number of other timely issues affecting healthcare and nursing practice today. UPDATED Content on incivility, bullying and workplace violence, provides a short scenario about issues you might face in practice. Key terms, learning outcomes, chapter overviews, and chapter summaries help you focus your learning experience. Unit on Leadership and Management in Nursing includes content to prepare nurses to effectively function in the management roles expected of the professional nurse. Unit on Career Management provides strategies on how to make the transition from student to practitioner and tips on how to pass the NCLEX-RN Examination. Case studies help you apply theory to clinical practice. Vignettes at the beginning of each chapter personalize nursing history and practice and help you to understand your place in the profession. Questions to Consider While Reading This Chapter follow the vignettes and prepare the reader for the topic to be discussed. Humorous cartoons open each chapter to illustrate the chapter themes. Full-color design enhances the narrative with a clear, visually appealing explanation of concepts.

Envision a better future... Be prepared to lead the way to better outcomes...for your patients, your team, your institution, and yourself. You’ll not only learn about leadership, but also how to use your skills to manage staff, implement policy changes, and to develop systems that deliver cost effective, quality-controlled care. The coverage encompasses the competencies required by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing in conjunction with major specialty nursing organizations. You’ll begin with the theories, models, and frameworks that provide the window through which to view leadership in the context of the regulations and standards that guide the delivery of care. Then, you’ll explore the importance of creating a culture that ensures safe, quality care, and learn how to plan and evaluate programs to affect change.

Graduate nurses are expected to 'hit the ground running', taking on complex care challenges in a stressful and fast-paced environment. This comprehensive yet accessible textbook provides expert guidance for students and commencing nurses on the contexts for their practice. Part 1 presents a pragmatic insight into the intersection, tensions and complexities of practice and professional issues for Australian nurses. It outlines the nature of nursing roles and professional codes of conduct, national health priority areas and legal and ethical issues including the growing use of health informatics. There is an examination of the diverse career paths available in nursing, a focus on nurses' mental health and well-being and a special examination of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health issues. Part 2 unpacks key issues across a range of clinical contexts that will be a key resource for clinical practicums. Contexts covered include acute care, community nursing, paediatric nursing, mental health nursing and aged care. Part 3 examines the professional and practice issues of nursing in diverse, distinctive and emergent practice areas including aesthetic nursing, military nursing and international nursing with case studies and vignettes highlighting common issues and challenges. Drawing on the expertise of a wide range of Australian clinical and academic nursing professionals, this text is a key reference for all nursing undergraduates seeking to enter successfully into the profession.

The book provides a summary of results from the 14th year of the BEACH program, a continuing national study of general practice activity in Australia. From April 2011 to March 2012, 984 general practitioners recorded details about 98,400 GP-patient encounters, at which patients presented 153,218 reasons for encounter and 152,286 problems were managed. For an 'average' 100 problems managed, GPs recorded: 70 medications (including 57 prescribed, six supplied to the patient and seven advised for over-the-counter purchase); 11 procedures; 24 clinical treatments (advice and counselling); six referrals to specialists and three to allied health services; orders for 31

pathology tests and seven imaging tests. A subsample study of more than 31,000 patients suggests prevalence of the following measured risk factors in the attending adult (18 years and over) patient population: obesity - 27%; overweight - 35%; daily smoking - 15%; at-risk alcohol consumption - 25%. One in four people in the attending population had at least two of these risk factors. A companion publication, A decade of Australian general practice activity 2002-03 to 2011-12 is also available.