Synopsis

Find any drug fact in 15 seconds or less—including 30 NEW drugs and important nursing considerations for every one. The Nursing2013 Drug Handbook -- the 33rd edition of the best-selling, original drug handbook for nurses -- provides complete monographs for more than 900 generic and 3,000 trade drugs. Now also available as an App! Get complete drug entries on your Apple or Android device with the Brand NEW NDH App. The monographs are consistently formatted for ease of use, and they focus on the practical information that nurses need. Each monograph consists of generic and trade names, pronunciation key, pregnancy risk category, pharmacologic class, controlled substance schedule (if applicable), available forms, indications and dosages, administration (with drug incompatibilities for I.V. drugs), action (including tables showing route, onset, peak, duration, and half-life), adverse reactions, interactions, effects on lab test results, contraindications, nursing considerations, and patient teaching. You can count on Nursing2013 Drug Handbook to tell you unapproved, off-label drug uses so you'll always know why a drug is prescribed. And, this year, be a more confident nurse with fingertip access to 30 NEW drugs highlighted so you can't miss them: administration guidance for every appropriate route, I.V. drug incompatibility information, effects on lab test results for every drug, drug-drug, along with drug-food, drug-lifestyle, and drug-herb interactions for expert monitoring, including rapid- and delayed-onset interactions, dosage adjustment alerts for your patient with such conditions as renal or hepatic disease and for special populations, every commonly prescribed drug, a full-color Photoguide to help you confidently identify 431 tablets and capsules. With the safeguards you'll find only in the Nursing2013 Drug Handbook it's easier than ever to stay current on the 3,000 latest changes to drug information and to avoid even the most common medication errors: Appendix on less commonly used drugs with indications and dosages NOW! A to Z format with alphabetical tabs for quick reference NOW! FDA TALL MAN lettering for look-alike drug names NOW! Overdose signs and symptoms for every drug NOW! Drugs that shouldn't be crushed or chewed NOW! Black Box Warnings highlight specific FDA-issued warnings NOW! Nursing guidance on multiple-drug regimens Pharmacologic and therapeutic class identification for every drug to help you better prepare for adverse effects Alert logo for drugs that can cause significant harm Look alike–sound alike logo for added safety against errors Abbreviations to avoid to safeguard your patient and your nursing license Patient-teaching instructions for every drug

Book Information
I have been buying the Nursing Drug Handbook for many many years and I am very unhappy with the format of this year’s book. What I liked about the older versions was you could go to a chapter i.e.: Antidepressants and look through the entire class of drugs alphabetized. This book is all drug classes alphabetized by generic name, now if I’m not aware of say a newly approved antidepressant it will take me a VERY LONG time to discover it and having to look up every drug by knowing it’s generic name is not user friendly. The material is great but the format change is horrible. I would not recommend this book and if the current format remains I will pass on the book in the future. Drugs listed in chapter, classification format was sooo much better. Also in the past my book has included a cd or a code to access drug info on-line so I could print out info for my patients, this book did not and when I went to NDHnow.com....I couldn’t access info because I had no access code in my book.

The Nursing Drug Handbook of 2013 is a must for anyone suffering from medical issues. It is a great tool for family and friends as well. This is a comprehensive report about prescription medication. It gives the reader detailed information not usually provided by the prescribing physician. The information will include such things as why the prescription is usually written, what the medicine actually does, possible side effects and drug interaction issues and an explanation of how long it takes to reach its maximum usefulness in the average person.
I have been purchasing this particular drug handbook annually, for many years. Is this the first year that the meds are alphabetized?? It used to always be that there were separate categories for groups of like medications, which makes so much more sense for the nursing field. I would much prefer the way it was....

I am a medical professional and have purchased these drug books for years. When I purchase a new one, I give my older copy to friends and family who aren’t medical professionals because they are easy to understand and are a very helpful guide. We must take more responsible for our own health with all the changes in health care and insurance. This book goes a long way in helping one to understand the medications being taken, interactions between meds, and much, much more.

I’ve been disabled for 11 years (RN for 30 years), and I don’t really need the most updated version of this handbook that I’ve gotten since the mid 1980s. This was a great bargain to get used (in great condition), and gives me a pretty updated handbook. I used to get every version, every year- which was sort of excessive. Now with the internet, I can look up most stuff- but still like a hardcopy version.

I have been using this drug manual for years. The new format is not user friendly. It’s extremely tedious to use on the kindle as there are no reference pages. There is an index for drugs by name, but no way to easily get to that drug. You have to scan through all the pages until you get to that drug. I’m an RN, no time for that. Very disappointed!

I rely on the Nursing Drug books from year to year and have for more than 2 decades. They are by far the most practical as far as nursing implications of drugs and give all necessary information one might need that is found in the PDR in a more user friendly format.

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