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As a healthcare worker who works in a hospital, I see this book (and its various editions) on just about every floor- whether it be the cardiac floor, neurology floor, or the orthopedic floor. The point is that the scope of this book is so large and complete, that it will be a handy reference to everybody who treats patients, no matter what the diagnosis. So if you’re looking for a small, complete drug reference- this is your book. Also recommend “The Sixty-Second Motivator” for tips on how to increase patient compliancy with taking meds.

Granted, the last Nursing Drug Handbook i had was the 2012, but I liked it because the drugs were under the headings of the label usage, i.e. Ambien would be under hypnotics. This drug handbook has the drugs listed alphabetically by its generic name. That was the reason I did not buy Mosby’s. As an MDS coordinator, reviewing the drugs were to be by their label usage. Please, Nursing Drug Handbook, go back to the previous style or next purchase will no be from you.Tricia

This drug handbook is amazing!! I love it!! It was here when promised and it meets all my expectations! This book is full of all the medications you'll want to look up! This vendor is awesome too! I look forward to purchasing from them again!!
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This is really 3.5 stars. I just added this to the list of required textbooks for the fall 2013 semester in my EMS class. Personally, I use and I am comfortable with several different drug handbook, and I am perfectly fine with the old, but gigantic, standby; the Physician’s Desk Reference (PDR). This book has good comprehensive information. It is fairly detailed, but not too detailed for EMS students who may not have a large pathophysiology background. What I did not like was that all of the drugs are ordered alphabetically by the generic name. Many drugs are not offered in a generic form, yet. This would require an additional step for students to find the medication. As an educator I am not opposed to that. But as a consumer, I found it tiresome. I require my students to report on “Adverse Effects” and “Side Effects,” among other things. These are two different drug effects. This handbook does not separate the two. I emphasized that the formatting of this book had most adverse affects in bold letters within the side effects. Side effects are anticipated symptoms that may be troublesome, but may not be enough to discontinue a drug’s use; such as headache. An adverse effect might be thrombocytopenia that leads to increased bleeding. The small section in the middle that has pictures of many common drugs was helpful. I would have used the Nurses PDR handbook if I would have found a 2014 version. It offers many similar patient considerations. It separates adverse and side effects and offers a tiny bit more explanation of how a drug work (Pharmokinetics). This has been important as we learn more about alpha and beta receptors, sodium/potassium pump, acetylcholine, and many hormones and protein interactions. Anyone will find use for this handbook for 3-5 years.

As always, a good way to obtain quick information about current medications (our reason for buying new editions). Practical, compact information, not as detailed as the PDR of course but much easier and quicker to use.

This is perfect nurse drug reference, in fact good for anyone. It is clear, concise, readable in .normal language. Gives all the drug info plus the nursing info plus patient education things, so if you look up the drug, you can totally understand purpose, indications, contraindications, and warning against incompatibilities. Highly recommend. I buy a new one every two year, have been an RN forever and
love the up-to-date info--plus internet updates included!

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