Medical Terminology: A Short Course, 5e
Quickly master the basics of medical terminology and begin speaking and writing terms almost immediately! Based on Davi Chabner’s effective learning methods, this book’s straightforward approach omits time-consuming, nonessential information and focuses on helping you actively build a working vocabulary of the most frequently encountered suffixes, prefixes, and word roots. Terms are introduced in the context of human anatomy and physiology to help you understand exactly what they mean, and case studies and vignettes throughout the book demonstrate how they’re used in practice. With all this plus NEW animations and games on the companion CD, you’ll be amazed at how easily medical terminology becomes part of your vocabulary.

Self-teaching text/workbook approach reinforces learning every step of the way with labeling diagrams, pronunciation tests, and review sheets throughout the book. Simple, clear, non-technical explanations of terms demystify medical terminology even if you’ve had little or no background in medicine or science.

UNIQUE Medical Scramble activity challenges you to unscramble the letters of terms—a fun way to improve your spelling accuracy and word recognition.

UNIQUE Medical Detective activity on the student CD presents scenarios with missing information that you must locate in order to correctly answer questions.

Case studies and vignettes illustrate real-life applications of medical terms.

UNIQUE Illustrations in the Spanish glossary include labels in both English and Spanish to help you understand terms you are likely to encounter in the health care setting.

Additional online student resources on the companion Evolve website include extra quizzes, an English-Spanish glossary of over 5,000 terms, and the Body Spectrum Electronic Anatomy Coloring Book program.

New audio CD packaged with the text provides correct pronunciations of terms and definitions.

The improved student CD packaged with the text offers even more interactive ways to learn, featuring NEW Archie MD animations, fun games, labeling exercises, Medical Detective activities, and an image glossary.

Spotlights highlight easily confused medical terms to improve your ability to distinguish the meanings of terms.

Picture Show activities present an image of a condition, disorder, or structure, followed by a series of questions about the image, giving you the opportunity to apply what you’ve learned.

More NEW, updated photos of pathology familiarize you with medical conditions and associated terminology.

**Book Information**

Paperback: 432 pages
Publisher: Saunders; 5 edition (September 30, 2008)
Language: English
I purchased this book to refresh my knowledge. I had enrolled in college and wanted to test out of their Medical Terminology course. I had taken Anatomy & Physiology in the past and had worked as a medical secretary in a hospital so I was looking to feel more confident with my word knowledge. This book was easy to follow and was very helpful. It has a lot of diagrams and pictures to give visual aids. I took the exam and passed.

I just received this book and think it's great. I'd taken med. term. years ago and ordered this as a brush-up course for myself (I do medical transcription). So far, the only complaint I have is the visual CD, where somebody tried to be a little too creative with the coloring. The computer exercises are great and give good explanations and examples—if you can SEE them! Some terms are written in dark blue against a dark brown background! What the heck were they thinking? And other terms are actually BROWN on a brown background! What?? I keep having to move my head around to view the screen from different angles in order to read the terms. It is extremely annoying and distracting. It should have been done in clear colors, dark text on light background. Learning medical terminology is not the time to get cute with "fancy" designs! Big mistake. Outside of that, the book seems good. I have a problem with some of the pronunciations. For example, "acute" = ah-KUT. Does that rhyme with "cut"? No, but if you didn't know better, you could think it does. However, out of 100, I'd give the book itself a 98, at least. In one of the reviews here, someone thought there was too much attention paid to illustrations. I actually like the pictures. Hearing a doctor say the patient wears a CPAP machine at night is one thing but seeing what it looks like (if you're unfamiliar with them) is something else (p. 163). I think the illustrations are helpful for understanding terms. All in all, I recommend the book, but next time, Davi-Ellen, you may want to more closely oversee the people working on the visuals for your accompanying CD! (I still have an anatomy and physiology book
I have learned a lot reading this book. I work in medical records and transcribe dictations and this has really helped me a lot in this area being that I have no medical terminology knowledge at all. I love the CD that comes with it, you can take test over and over on it. It’s awesome.

This book is great for anybody who study by themself without register to any medical terminology classes. It is easy to follow, understand, and remember. Aslo, there are a lot of practices that help us really getting in to it.

I’m definitely not big on reading books that go on paragraph by paragraph for the entire way and for those rare gems, like this book, I’m very glad it isn’t. Every chapter ends with some review and as you continue your way through the chapters, they build on each other through the exercises. So even if you may have forgotten something early on, you’ll very likely keep coming back to the word and you will remember it. The chapters teaches the roots/suffixes with great pictures and relevance bit by bit at a time so it does not make you feel overwhelmed at all. I highly recommend this book and I’m anxious to take my medical competency exam soon. Hope it works well for you all too.

This is a required text for the PA program I’ll be attending and a decent book. This is a review session in med. term. for me, but the author includes anatomy pictures and descriptions of surgical procedures for the reader to supplement the wave of medical jargon/Latin coming at them. Very short - only 5 chapters, I believe - but it gets right to the point after a chapter of introduction to the language.

Very Helpful for Everyone in Health Care: I wish I had this book in nursing school! This book stands out mainly because author constantly gives reference to relevant symptoms, procedures, labs, anatomy to every single medical term she introduces. This way, there is a higher chance readers will absorb, and retain information. Thanks to Davi-Ellen lady, I no longer have to memorize some medical words. I can actually understand them, and can apply them as I read medical literature.

I bought this book to help reinforce the online course that I was taking. The exercises are great and use a building block approach which breaks down the terminology into the roots and stems of the
words. This makes it easy to get a real understanding of the terminology and be able to build as you get into the harder words. The enclosed CD is also great! It's like having an instructor in your home.

Download to continue reading...