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Complications

This Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Special Report (IPCC-SREX) explores the challenge of understanding and managing the risks of climate extremes to advance climate change adaptation. Extreme weather and climate events, interacting with exposed and vulnerable human and natural systems, can lead to disasters. Changes in the frequency and severity of the physical events affect disaster risk, but so do the spatially diverse and temporally dynamic patterns of exposure and vulnerability. Some types of extreme weather and climate events have increased in frequency or magnitude, but populations and assets at risk have also increased, with consequences for disaster risk. Opportunities for managing risks of weather- and climate-related disasters exist or can be developed at any scale, local to international. Prepared following strict IPCC procedures, SREX is an invaluable assessment for anyone interested in climate extremes, environmental disasters and adaptation to climate change, including policymakers, the private sector and academic researchers.

Safety Culture

Each year more than 4 million children are born with birth defects. This book highlights the unprecedented opportunity to improve the lives of children and families in developing countries by preventing some birth defects and reducing the consequences of others. A number of developing countries with more comprehensive health care systems are making significant progress in the prevention and care of birth defects. In many other developing countries, however, policymakers have limited knowledge of the negative impact of birth defects and are largely unaware of the affordable and effective interventions available to reduce the impact of certain conditions. Reducing Birth Defects: Meeting the Challenge in the Developing World includes descriptions of successful programs and presents a plan of action to address critical gaps in the understanding, prevention, and treatment of birth defects in developing countries. This study also recommends capacity building, priority research, and institutional and global efforts to reduce the incidence and impact of birth defects in developing countries.

The Human Contribution

Building upon the second edition of this book published in 2012, the authors further delve into the process of quality improvement in the clinical setting. Rather than focusing on improvement of a specific patient, there is emphasis on system improvements. With increased emphasis on improved patient and system

outcomes, it is imperative that healthcare professionals have an understanding of this concept. This work teaches introductory quality improvement in a structured, easy-to-understand manner The authors state that the book is designed for healthcare professional students as well as healthcare professionals who are beginning to learn clinical quality improvement. They are clear authorities on healthcare quality management and have garnered the support of both The Joint Commission and the Institute for Healthcare Improvement. Mirroring the medical model, this book teaches healthcare quality improvement by implementing diagnosis of the problem, problem management, analysis, change, and leadership in system improvement. Pre- and post-lesson vignettes include patients as part of the treatment team. This intentionally puts emphasis on shared decision making. Post-lesson tools include specific exercises and questions to assist readers in encoding the preceding information. Graphs and tables are well designed and positioned to not interrupt the text. New to this edition is an appendix containing 16 supporting tools, many of which are also accessible online. This edition modernizes the previous ones by centering care on the patient and including the patient in the team. Jill P Massengale, DNP(James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital)

Quality and Safety in Neurosurgery

The Guest Editors have assembled an international list of top experts to present the most current information to pediatricians about patient safety. The issue has a

primarily clinical focus with a few articles addressing the business and practice of patient safety. Articles are devoted to the following topics: Developing performance standards and expectations for safety; The role of CPOE in patient safety; The role of smart infusion pumps on patient safety; Abstracted detection of adverse events in children; The role of effective communication (including handoffs) in patient safety; Reducing mortality resulting from adverse events; Optimizing standardization of case reviews (morbidity and mortality rounds) to promote patient safety; Impact of (resident) duty work hours on patient safety; Role of simulation in safety; The role of diagnostic errors in patient safety; The role of collaborative efforts to reduce hospital acquired conditions; Patient safety in ambulatory care; Role of FDA and pediatric safety; and Patient safety through the eyes of a parent.

The Future of the Public's Health in the 21st Century

Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care: Case Studies in Client Communication, Morbidity and Mortality provides a unique opportunity to learn from real-life case examples. Presented as a collection of short case studies, the book examines a wide range of situations likely to arise in emergency practice. The approach is modeled on the Morbidity and Mortality Conferences which were first established as a training and educational tool for medical doctors. They have now been successfully adopted in veterinary medicine as a forum for case review and

learning opportunities, encouraging thorough review from different perspectives. Each chapter presents a real case, and highlights the pitfalls that both novice and experienced veterinarians can encounter. A key theme of the book is on communication issues. Owner perspectives are discussed, as well as how communications between clinicians and owners can be optimized to allow veterinarians to better meet owner expectations. The cases were provided by a variety of experienced veterinarians, primarily specialists in veterinary emergency and critical care, as well as other specialties, general practice, universities, and private institutions. This highly readable book is suitable either to absorb from cover to cover, or for reference to a specific case or situation. It highlights a number of common clinical problems and communication issues that either did or may lead to difficulties in case management, helping you to avoid these situations.

Graduate Medical Education Directory

Safety has traditionally been defined as a condition where the number of adverse outcomes was as low as possible (Safety-I). From a Safety-I perspective, the purpose of safety management is to make sure that the number of accidents and incidents is kept as low as possible, or as low as is reasonably practicable. This means that safety management must start from the manifestations of the absence of safety and that - paradoxically - safety is measured by counting the number of cases where it fails rather than by the number of cases where it succeeds. This

unavoidably leads to a reactive approach based on responding to what goes wrong or what is identified as a risk - as something that could go wrong. Focusing on what goes right, rather than on what goes wrong, changes the definition of safety from 'avoiding that something goes wrong' to 'ensuring that everything goes right'. More precisely, Safety-II is the ability to succeed under varying conditions, so that the number of intended and acceptable outcomes is as high as possible. From a Safety-II perspective, the purpose of safety management is to ensure that as much as possible goes right, in the sense that everyday work achieves its objectives. This means that safety is managed by what it achieves (successes, things that go right), and that likewise it is measured by counting the number of cases where things go right. In order to do this, safety management cannot only be reactive, it must also be proactive. But it must be proactive with regard to how actions succeed, to everyday acceptable performance, rather than with regard to how they can fail, as traditional risk analysis does. This book analyses and explains the principles behind both approaches and uses this to consider the past and future of safety management practices. The analysis makes use of common examples and cases from domains such as aviation, nuclear power production, process management and health care. The final chapters explain the theoret

Intra-Abdominal Hypertension

Properly performing health care systems require concepts and methods that match

their complexity. Resilience engineering provides that capability. It focuses on a system's overall ability to sustain required operations under both expected and unexpected conditions rather than on individual features or qualities. This book contains contributions from international experts in health care, organisational studies and patient safety, as well as resilience engineering. Whereas current safety approaches primarily aim to reduce the number of things that go wrong, Resilient Health Care aims to increase the number of things that go right.

Medical Education in the United States and Canada

In order to promote greater implementation of effective, affordable and sustainable trauma systems globally, the World Health Organization and the International Association for Trauma Surgery and Intensive Care have worked collaboratively to produce these guidelines on trauma quality improvement. The response to the growing problem of injury needs to include the improvement of care of the injured. Quality improvement (QI) programs offer an affordable and sustainable means to implement such improvements. These programs enable health care institutions to better monitor trauma care services, better detect problems in care, and more effectively enact and evaluate corrective measures targeted at these problems. The goal of this publication is to give guidance on ways in which health care institutions globally can implement QI programs oriented to strengthening care of the injured. This guidance is intended to be universally applicable to all countries,

no matter what their economic level. These guidelines provide basic definitions and an overview of the field of QI, so that those not familiar with this field will have a working knowledge of it. Evidence of the benefit of QI in general and trauma QI in particular is then laid out. The main part of the publication reviews the most common methods of trauma QI, written in a how-do-to fashion. This covers a wide range of techniques. The first two of these are especially emphasized as ways in which to strengthen trauma QI in the setting of low-income and middle-income countries.

Improving Healthcare Quality in Europe Characteristics, Effectiveness and Implementation of Different Strategies

Essential Surgery is part of a nine volume series for Disease Control Priorities which focuses on health interventions intended to reduce morbidity and mortality. The Essential Surgery volume focuses on four key aspects including global financial responsibility, emergency procedures, essential services organization and cost analysis.

Quality By Design

The Human Contribution is vital reading for all professionals in high-consequence

environments and for managers of any complex system. The book draws its illustrative material from a wide variety of hazardous domains, with the emphasis on healthcare reflecting the author's focus on patient safety over the last decade. All students of human factors - however seasoned - will also find it an invaluable and thought-provoking read.

Sabiston Textbook of Surgery E-Book

Put patient safety at the center of your surgical protocol—with this essential case-based guide Despite many advances in the practice of surgery, surgical complications continue to cause significant patient morbidity and mortality. Now more than ever, it is the responsibility of every surgeon to take the lead in understanding and mitigating complications and adverse events. Surgical Patient Safety: A Case-based Approach is your blueprint for putting this goal within reach. This timely resource gives you all the insights needed to effectively manage patient safety, covering everything from sharpening communication skills to establishing shared decision-making with patients and their families. Supplementing this important content are numerous case-based examples and exercises, supported by color illustrations, tables, figures, radiographs, and algorithms. Taken as a whole, this new textbook represents a one-stop, hands-on patient safety primer that no other sourcebook can match. Surgical Patient Safety represents a vital call to action—one designed to inspire a physician-driven

initiative fostering a global culture of patient safety. Features • The latest practical patient safety tools for surgeons in training, including surgical safety checklists, intraoperative “rescue” strategies, and the global implementation of new regulatory compliance guidelines • Case-based scenarios examining technical challenges and bail-out options in the operating room • Bulleted “pearls and pitfalls” that take you through the decision-making process for diagnostic work up and revision of specific complications • Insights from renowned experts that explain how to handle malpractice lawsuits; navigate the modern dangers of electronic health records; apply the pragmatic “IKEA approach” for patient advocacy; and much more • A must-read for all practicing surgeons, independent of the surgical subspecialty

Safety-I and Safety-II

Using the unique cycles of trauma framework, the 4th edition of this classic and highly acclaimed resource is thoroughly updated to bring you comprehensive coverage of cutting-edge research findings and current issues, trends, and controversies in trauma nursing. Detailed information guides you through all phases of care – from preventive care and the time of injury to the resuscitative, operative, critical, intermediate, and rehabilitative stages. Timely discussions on emerging topics such as mass casualty and rural trauma/telemedicine keep you up to date with the latest developments in the field. This practical, evidence-based

reference is the most complete resource available for both novice and experienced trauma nurses working in a variety of care settings. Comprehensive coverage includes practical, clinically relevant trauma information for nurses at all levels of knowledge and experience working in a variety of settings. Evidence-based content ensures that you are using the latest and most reliable information available to provide state-of-the-art care for trauma patients. A user-friendly format, logical organization, and helpful tables and illustrations help you find information quickly and clarify key concepts and procedures. Detailed information guides you through all phases of care – from preventive care and the time of injury to the resuscitative, operative, critical, intermediate, and rehabilitative stages. Special populations coverage prepares you to meet the unique needs of pregnant, pediatric, and elderly patients, as well as bariatric patients, burn victims, patients with substance abuse issues, and organ and tissue donors. A section on Clinical Management Concepts gives you a solid understanding of key issues affecting all patients regardless of their injury, including mechanism of injury, traumatic shock, patient/family psychosocial responses to trauma, pain management, wound healing, and nutrition. A new Mass Casualty chapter prepares you to act quickly and confidently in the event of a disaster, with guidelines for initial response and sustained response, lessons learned from recent disasters, government involvement, and hazmat, bioterrorism, and nuclear-radiological preparedness. A new chapter on Rural Trauma/Telemedicine focuses on the unique nature of rural trauma care and offers strategies to help you improve healthcare delivery in this

challenging environment. A new Trauma in the Bariatric Patient chapter provides the specialized information you need to meet the challenges and needs of this growing patient population.

Errors in Veterinary Anesthesia

This is a reproduction of a book published before 1923. This book may have occasional imperfections such as missing or blurred pages, poor pictures, errant marks, etc. that were either part of the original artifact, or were introduced by the scanning process. We believe this work is culturally important, and despite the imperfections, have elected to bring it back into print as part of our continuing commitment to the preservation of printed works worldwide. We appreciate your understanding of the imperfections in the preservation process, and hope you enjoy this valuable book.

Medical Devices

Intended for general surgeons and forensic medicine specialists, this book provides a practical, useful and humorous guide to M & M (Morbidity and Mortality meetings) carried out in a variety of surgical departments across the USA.

A Study in Hospital Efficiency

This volume, developed by the Observatory together with OECD, provides an overall conceptual framework for understanding and applying strategies aimed at improving quality of care. Crucially, it summarizes available evidence on different quality strategies and provides recommendations for their implementation. This book is intended to help policy-makers to understand concepts of quality and to support them to evaluate single strategies and combinations of strategies.

Health Systems Science E-Book

This title was first published in 2002: This field guide assesses two views of human error - the old view, in which human error becomes the cause of an incident or accident, or the new view, in which human error is merely a symptom of deeper trouble within the system. The two parts of this guide concentrate on each view, leading towards an appreciation of the new view, in which human error is the starting point of an investigation, rather than its conclusion. The second part of this guide focuses on the circumstances which unfold around people, which causes their assessments and actions to change accordingly. It shows how to "reverse engineer" human error, which, like any other componant, needs to be put back together in a mishap investigation.

Managing the Risks of Extreme Events and Disasters to Advance Climate Change Adaptation

On its initial publication, Forgive and Remember emerged as the definitive study of the training and lives of young surgeons. Now with an extensive new preface, epilogue, and appendix by the author, reflecting on the changes that have taken place since the book's original publication, this updated second edition of Charles L. Bosk's classic study is as timely as ever.

From Front Office to Front Line

Sabiston Textbook of Surgery is your ultimate foundation for confident surgical decision making. Covering the very latest science and data affecting your treatment planning, this esteemed medical reference helps you make the most informed choices so you can ensure the best outcome for every patient. Consult it on the go with online access at expertconsult.com, and get regular updates on timely new findings and advances. Overcome tough challenges, manage unusual situations, and avoid complications with the most trusted advice in your field. Prepare for tests and exams with review questions and answers online. Keep up with the very latest developments concerning abdominal wall reconstruction, tumor immunology and immunotherapy, peripheral vascular disease, regenerative

medicine, liver transplantation, kidney and pancreas transplantation, small bowel transplantation, the continually expanding role of minimally invasive and robotic surgery, and many other rapidly evolving areas. Weigh your options by reviewing the most recent outcomes data and references to the most current literature.

Strengthening Care for the Injured

In Safety Culture: Building and Sustaining a Cultural Change in Aviation and Healthcare, the four authors draw upon their extensive teaching, research and field experience from multiple industries to describe the dynamic nature of a culture-change process, particularly in safety-critical domains. They use a "stories to numbers" approach that starts with felt experiences and stories of certain change programs that they have documented, then proceed to describe the use of key measurement tools that can be used to analyze the state of a change program. The book concludes with a description of empirical models that illustrate the dynamic nature of change programs.

Forgive and Remember

The first textbook devoted to this emerging area, Health Systems Science now brings you fully up to date with today’s key issues and solutions. This increasingly

important branch of health care explores how health care is delivered, how health care professionals work together to deliver that care, and how the health system can improve patient care and health care delivery. Along with basic and clinical sciences, health systems science is rapidly becoming a crucial 'third pillar' of medical science, with an emphasis on understanding the role of human factors, systems engineering, leadership, and patient improvement strategies that will help transform the future of health care and ensure greater patient safety. In this 2nd Edition, new chapters, new exercises, and new information help you acquire the knowledge and skills you need for success in today's challenging healthcare system. The first comprehensive text for mastering health systems science, offering practical coverage of all of the factors in the lives of patients that influence their well-being, the structures and processes of the health system itself, societal factors, communication, and information technology. NEW to this edition: New content on systems thinking, ethics and legal issues, and international care models further define and address this new important component of health care education; additional exercises; and expanded information on the patient experience and private practice. Complete coverage of patient safety, quality improvement, value in health care, teamwork, stewardship of health care resources, population health, clinical informatics, care coordination, leadership, and health care financing/reform. Patient improvement strategies incorporate checklists, information technology, team training, and more. A consistent chapter template provides clear coverage of each topic, including Learning Objectives, Chapter

Outline, Core Chapter Content, Summary, Questions for Reflection, and Annotated Bibliography and References. Developed by the American Medical Association's Accelerating Change in Medical Education Consortium, and authored by a team that includes AMA staff members working with individuals from the Consortium member schools.

Reducing Birth Defects

This User's Guide is intended to support the design, implementation, analysis, interpretation, and quality evaluation of registries created to increase understanding of patient outcomes. For the purposes of this guide, a patient registry is an organized system that uses observational study methods to collect uniform data (clinical and other) to evaluate specified outcomes for a population defined by a particular disease, condition, or exposure, and that serves one or more predetermined scientific, clinical, or policy purposes. A registry database is a file (or files) derived from the registry. Although registries can serve many purposes, this guide focuses on registries created for one or more of the following purposes: to describe the natural history of disease, to determine clinical effectiveness or cost-effectiveness of health care products and services, to measure or monitor safety and harm, and/or to measure quality of care. Registries are classified according to how their populations are defined. For example, product registries include patients who have been exposed to biopharmaceutical products

or medical devices. Health services registries consist of patients who have had a common procedure, clinical encounter, or hospitalization. Disease or condition registries are defined by patients having the same diagnosis, such as cystic fibrosis or heart failure. The User's Guide was created by researchers affiliated with AHRQ's Effective Health Care Program, particularly those who participated in AHRQ's DEcIDE (Developing Evidence to Inform Decisions About Effectiveness) program. Chapters were subject to multiple internal and external independent reviews.

Safety and Reliability in Pediatrics, An Issue of Pediatric Clinics - E-Book

The book presents more than 60 real-life cases which together memorably and succinctly convey the depth and breadth of clinical anesthesiology. Each chapter includes a case summary, questions, lessons learned, and selected references. Tables and distinctive visual synopses of key teaching points enhance many chapters. The cases have been selected by Dr. Benumof from the Morbidity and Mortality (M & M) conferences of the Department of Anesthesiology, University of California, San Diego, which he has moderated the last several years, and residents and junior faculty have crafted them into the chapters of this book. Structured in a novel way, the UCSD Anesthesiology M&Ms maximize teaching and

learning, and these cases bring that experience right to the reader's finger tips. Case coverage of respiration- and circulation-related problems, obstetrics, neurology, pain and regional anesthesia, pediatrics, outpatient surgery, and special topics Resource for anesthesiology and critical care medicine trainees Review tool for board certification or recertification Fun reading – valuable lessons!

In Her Lifetime

The new edition of the Green Book now blends the best information from the Graduate Medical Education Directory AND GMED Companion: An Insider's Guide to Selecting a Residency Program. This new format gives medical students all of the necessary tools and insight to help them to make one of the most important professional decisions of their careers. By combining the texts of both of these great resources, readers have at their fingertips all of the residency program information, plus residency application and career planning resources. The updated and expanded information of the 2006 - 2007 edition include: The official listings for residency programs at more than 1,700 GME teaching institutions Comprehensive GME program listings, including program director, address, phone, fax, and e-mail address Lists certification requirements for 24 medical specialty boards and teaching institutions that sponsor GME programs Contains 6,500 revisions, 100 new programs, as well as updated certification requirements and teaching institutions' listings Information on fellowship/subspecialty programs,

Canadian programs, national medical societies and medical licensure information This resource is a must to help guide your residency program selection process.

The Field Guide to Human Error Investigations

The relative lack of information on determinants of disease, disability, and death at major stages of a woman's lifespan and the excess morbidity and premature mortality that this engenders has important adverse social and economic ramifications, not only for Sub-Saharan Africa, but also for other regions of the world as well. Women bear much of the weight of world production in both traditional and modern industries. In Sub-Saharan Africa, for example, women contribute approximately 60 to 80 percent of agricultural labor. Worldwide, it is estimated that women are the sole supporters in 18 to 30 percent of all families, and that their financial contribution in the remainder of families is substantial and often crucial. This book provides a solid documentary base that can be used to develop an agenda to guide research and health policy formulation on female health--both for Sub-Saharan Africa and for other regions of the developing world. This book could also help facilitate ongoing, collaboration between African researchers on women's health and their U.S. colleagues. Chapters cover such topics as demographics, nutritional status, obstetric morbidity and mortality, mental health problems, and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV.

Disease Control Priorities, Third Edition (Volume 1)

"Injury accounts for a significant proportion of the world's burden of disease. Each year 5.8 million people die from injury and millions more are disabled. The response to this global health problem needs to include a range of activities, from better surveillance to more in-depth research, and primary prevention. Also needed are efforts to strengthen care of the injured. The World Health Organization (WHO) has responded to this need with a variety of actions. WHO collected this set of case studies, documenting success stories and lessons learned from several countries. Through this publication, WHO seeks to increase communication among those working in the field of trauma care in different countries worldwide."--p. iii.

Patient Safety in Surgery

Practical clinical handbook reviewing all aspects of the diagnosis and management of intra-abdominal hypertension; essential reading for all critical care staff.

Guidelines for Trauma Quality Improvement Programmes

Monday Mornings

Background papers 1 to 9 published as technical documents. Available in separate records from WHO/HSS/EHT/DIM/10.1 to WHO/HSS/EHT/DIM/10.9

Fundamentals of Health Care Improvement

Every time surgeons operate, they're betting their skills are better than the brain tumor, the faulty heart valve, the fractured femur. Sometimes, they're wrong. At Chelsea General, surgeons answer for bad outcomes at the Morbidity and Mortality conference, known as M & M. This extraordinary peek behind the curtain into what is considered the most secretive meeting in all of medicine is the back drop for the entire book. Monday Mornings, by Dr. Sanjay Gupta, follows the lives of five surgeons at Chelsea General as they push the limits of their abilities and confront their personal and professional failings, often in front of their peers at M & M. It is on Monday mornings that reflection and introspection occurs, usually in private. It is Monday Mornings that provides a unique look at the real method in which surgeons learn - through their mistakes. It is Monday Mornings when, if you're lucky, you have a chance at redemption.

Trauma Nursing E-Book

Quality by Design reflects the research and applied training conducted at

Dartmouth Medical School under the leadership of Gene Nelson, Paul Batalden, and Marjorie Godfrey. The book includes the research results of high-performing clinical microsystems, illustrative case studies that highlight individual clinical programs, guiding principles that are easily applied, and tools, techniques, and methods that can be adapted by clinical practices and interdisciplinary clinical teams. The authors describe how to develop microsystems that can attain peak performance through active engagement of interdisciplinary teams in learning and applying improvement science and measurement; explore the essence of leadership for clinical Microsystems; show what mid-level leaders can do to enable peak performance at the front lines of care; outline the design and redesign of services and planning care to match patient needs with services offered; examine the issue of safety; describe the vital role of data in creating a rich and useful information environment; provide a core curriculum that can build microsystems' capability, provide excellent care, promote a positive work environment, and contribute to the larger organization. Ancillary materials for use in classroom teaching, training, or coaching are available at https://clinicalmicrosystem.org/

Surgical Patient Safety: A Case-Based Approach

Experts estimate that as many as 98,000 people die in any given year from medical errors that occur in hospitals. That's more than die from motor vehicle accidents, breast cancer, or AIDS--three causes that receive far more public

attention. Indeed, more people die annually from medication errors than from workplace injuries. Add the financial cost to the human tragedy, and medical error easily rises to the top ranks of urgent, widespread public problems. To Err Is Human breaks the silence that has surrounded medical errors and their consequence--but not by pointing fingers at caring health care professionals who make honest mistakes. After all, to err is human. Instead, this book sets forth a national agenda--with state and local implications--for reducing medical errors and improving patient safety through the design of a safer health system. This volume reveals the often startling statistics of medical error and the disparity between the incidence of error and public perception of it, given many patients' expectations that the medical profession always performs perfectly. A careful examination is made of how the surrounding forces of legislation, regulation, and market activity influence the quality of care provided by health care organizations and then looks at their handling of medical mistakes. Using a detailed case study, the book reviews the current understanding of why these mistakes happen. A key theme is that legitimate liability concerns discourage reporting of errors--which begs the question, "How can we learn from our mistakes?" Balancing regulatory versus market-based initiatives and public versus private efforts, the Institute of Medicine presents wide-ranging recommendations for improving patient safety, in the areas of leadership, improved data collection and analysis, and development of effective systems at the level of direct patient care. To Err Is Human asserts that the problem is not bad people in health care--it is that good people are working in bad

systems that need to be made safer. Comprehensive and straightforward, this book offers a clear prescription for raising the level of patient safety in American health care. It also explains how patients themselves can influence the quality of care that they receive once they check into the hospital. This book will be vitally important to federal, state, and local health policy makers and regulators, health professional licensing officials, hospital administrators, medical educators and students, health caregivers, health journalists, patient advocates--as well as patients themselves. First in a series of publications from the Quality of Health Care in America, a project initiated by the Institute of Medicine

Resilient Health Care

Quality and Safety in Neurosurgery covers recent improvements and presents solutions for problems that impact patient care. This book is written for anyone who works at the intersection of quality, safety and neurosurgery, including neurosurgeons, neurologists, clinical researchers looking to improve outcomes in neurosurgery, hospital quality and safety officers, department leaders, fellows and residents. Edited by neurosurgeons who helped build the culture of quality and safety in the Department of Neurosurgery at UMN, this work emphasizes quality and safety, whether through ‘value based purchasing’, finding specialty specific quality and safety metrics, or just the professional desire to provide quality care. Presents an overview of quality and safety in neurosurgical settings and discusses

solutions for problems that impact patient care Gives readers the tools they need to improve quality and safety in neurosurgery Provides examples on how to implement new tactics Includes coverage on teams, competence, safety, hospital incentives, quality, the physician handoff, medication compliance and operating room efficiency, and more

Gordon's Guide to the Surgical Morbidity and Mortality Conference

A brilliant and courageous doctor reveals, in gripping accounts of true cases, the power and limits of modern medicine. Sometimes in medicine the only way to know what is truly going on in a patient is to operate, to look inside with one's own eyes. This book is exploratory surgery on medicine itself, laying bare a science not in its idealized form but as it actually is -- complicated, perplexing, and profoundly human. Atul Gawande offers an unflinching view from the scalpel's edge, where science is ambiguous, information is limited, the stakes are high, yet decisions must be made. In dramatic and revealing stories of patients and doctors, he explores how deadly mistakes occur and why good surgeons go bad. He also shows us what happens when medicine comes up against the inexplicable: an architect with incapacitating back pain for which there is no physical cause; a young woman with nausea that won't go away; a television newscaster whose blushing is so

severe that she cannot do her job. Gawande offers a richly detailed portrait of the people and the science, even as he tackles the paradoxes and imperfections inherent in caring for human lives. At once tough-minded and humane, Complications is a new kind of medical writing, nuanced and lucid, unafraid to confront the conflicts and uncertainties that lie at the heart of modern medicine, yet always alive to the possibilities of wisdom in this extraordinary endeavor. Complications is a 2002 National Book Award Finalist for Nonfiction.

Small Animal Emergency and Critical Care

In general, surgeons strive to achieve excellent results and ideal patient outcomes, however, this noble task is frequently failed. For patients, surgical complications are analogous to “friendly fire” in wartime. Both scenarios imply that harm is unintentionally done by somebody whose aim was to help. Interestingly, adverse events resulting from surgical interventions are more frequently related to system errors and a communication breakdown among providers, rather than to the imminent threat of the surgical blade “gone wrong”. Patient Safety in Surgery aims to increase the safety and quality of care for patients undergoing surgical procedures in all fields of surgery. Patient Safety in Surgery, covers all aspects related to patient safety in surgery, including pertinent issues of interest to surgeons, medical trainees (students, residents, and fellows), nurses, anaesthesiologists, patients, patient families, advocacy groups, and medicolegal

experts.

Clinical Anesthesiology

The anthrax incidents following the 9/11 terrorist attacks put the spotlight on the nationâ€™s public health agencies, placing it under an unprecedented scrutiny that added new dimensions to the complex issues considered in this report. The Future of the Publicâ€™s Health in the 21st Century reaffirms the vision of Healthy People 2010, and outlines a systems approach to assuring the nationâ€™s health in practice, research, and policy. This approach focuses on joining the unique resources and perspectives of diverse sectors and entities and challenges these groups to work in a concerted, strategic way to promote and protect the publicâ€™s health. Focusing on diverse partnerships as the framework for public health, the book discusses: The need for a shift from an individual to a population-based approach in practice, research, policy, and community engagement. The status of the governmental public health infrastructure and what needs to be improved, including its interface with the health care delivery system. The roles nongovernment actors, such as academia, business, local communities and the media can play in creating a healthy nation. Providing an accessible analysis, this book will be important to public health policy-makers and practitioners, business and community leaders, health advocates, educators and journalists.

To Err Is Human

Errors in Veterinary Anesthesia is the first book to offer a candid examination of what can go wrong when anesthetizing veterinary patients and to discuss how we can learn from mistakes. Discusses the origins of errors and how to learn from mistakes Covers common mistakes in veterinary anesthesia Provides strategies for avoiding errors in anesthetizing small and large animal patients Offers tips and tricks to implement in clinical practice Presents actual case studies discussing errors in veterinary anesthesia

Minimizing, Recognizing, and Managing Endoscopic Adverse Events, An Issue of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Clinics,

Provides detailed strategies to help leaders and their organizations address critical challenges in a changing health care environment.

Biodemography of Aging

The book presents more than 60 real-life cases which together memorably and succinctly convey the depth and breadth of clinical anesthesiology. Each chapter includes a case summary, questions, lessons learned, and selected references.

Tables and distinctive visual synopses of key teaching points enhance many chapters. The cases have been selected by Dr. Benumof from the Morbidity and Mortality (M & M) conferences of the Department of Anesthesiology, University of California, San Diego, which he has moderated the last several years, and residents and junior faculty have crafted them into the chapters of this book. Structured in a novel way, the UCSD Anesthesiology M&Ms maximize teaching and learning, and these cases bring that experience right to the reader's finger tips. Case coverage of respiration- and circulation-related problems, obstetrics, neurology, pain and regional anesthesia, pediatrics, outpatient surgery, and special topics Resource for anesthesiology and critical care medicine trainees Review tool for board certification or recertification Fun reading – valuable lessons!

Registries for Evaluating Patient Outcomes

This issue would review a broad range of endoscopic complications throughout the entire GI tract and include complications related to almost all types of endoscopic procedures. Typically, articles and endoscopy courses only briefly mention specific types of complications related to one or two endoscopic procedures. To date, this would be the only issue whose sole focus is on endoscopic complications and their management and will prove a useful resource for the gastroenterologist. The authors will be expert endoscopists from around the country whose knowledge of this topic should be far ranging and include use of new devices.

Clinical Anesthesiology

This volume is a critical exposition of the data and analyses from a full decade of rigorous research into how age-related changes at the individual level, along with other factors, contribute to morbidity, disability and mortality risks at the broader population level. After summarizing the state of our knowledge in the field, individual chapters offer enlightening discussion on a range of key topics such as age trajectory analysis in select and general populations, incidence/age patterns of major chronic illnesses, and indices of cumulative deficits and their use in characterizing and understanding the detailed properties of individual aging. The book features comprehensive statistical analyses of unique longitudinal data sets including the unique resource of the Framingham Heart Study, with its more than 60 years of follow-up. Culminating in penetrating conclusions about the insights gained from the work involved, this book adds much to our understanding of the links between aging and human health.

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