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Robotic Renal Surgery: Benign and Cancer Surgery for the Kidneys and Ureters provides a comprehensive review of the role of and technical considerations regarding robotic surgery for conditions of the kidney and associated conditions of the upper urinary tract. In addition to serving as a reference regarding

indications, preoperative and postoperative management, complications, and evidence-based outcomes, this text also serves as a practical guide for surgeons in how to perform the complete array of robotic kidney and upper tract surgery. Included are detailed descriptions of positioning, instrumentation, and surgical steps for the surgeon newly adopting robotic surgery or for those refining their techniques. All chapters are written by recognized and published experts in the various techniques, creating an authoritative text on the subject. Robotic Renal Surgery: Benign and Cancer Surgery for the Kidneys and Ureters will be

of great value to urologists, robotic surgeons, fellows in urologic oncology or endourology as well as urology residents in training and surgical nurses and other surgery team members involved in these procedures. Glomerulonephritis is one of the commonest causes of end-stage renal failure worldwide. Although there have been considerable advances in the management of renal failure by dialysis and transplantation, there has been relatively little progress in its prevention. This volume sets out to review current practice in the treatment of glomerulonephritis, which is aimed both at controlling the

clinical manifestations, e.g. nephrotic syndrome, and at preventing the progression to renal failure. The term glomerulonephritis covers a wide range of conditions with different immunological, histological and clinical features. This volume therefore starts with reviews of the immunology and pathology of different types of glomerulonephritis. This is followed by detailed consideration of the treatment of the commoner primary and secondary forms of the disease. There are separate chapters on special circumstances, such as glomerulonephritis in pregnancy or following renal transplantation. In each

chapter, attempts are made to review the evidence for the effectiveness of treatment, based on controlled trials, immunopathological principles and the authors' considerable experience. Although some aspects of the treatment of glomerulonephritis can be found in the standard texts on renal disease, this volume provides an up-to-date, thoroughly referenced, and practical guide to management. As such, it should be of value to nephrologists and general physicians, including those in training, and to postgraduate students of nephrology. Acute renal failure is undoubtedly one of the major problems in nephrology. In one volume the recent advances on patho most

interesting and frequent syndromes observed physiology of acute renal failure, the clinical aspects by clinicians. A great number of factors may of the various forms (even those which have been acutely impair renal function, but the pathogenesis disregarded in other surveys), the diagnostic tests netic mechanism by which this occurs is free available today in our clinical practice, the general quently unknown. Even the pathophysiology of and specific therapeutic measures and (very important) ischaemic-toxic forms of acute renal failure re tant, indeed), some useful suggestions for prevention controversial despite the huge number of

tion. experimental and clinical studies. The contributors have provided clear, complete Medical management of patients with acute renal and up-to-date chapters. I am deeply grateful to failure has greatly improved in recent years, partic them all. ularly with the use of different types of dialytic I like to express my sincere thanks to Dr. A.J. A practical, up-to-date guide to the diagnosis, understanding, and treatment of kidney problems and hypertension in adult patients "In contrast to many other books in this area, this one provides a concise yet comprehensive review of each topic without getting lost in too much detail..." - Doody's

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interventional nephrology, palliative care nephrology, clinical renal pharmacology, as well as a new area of specialization - onco-nephrology •Consistently formatted chapters make it easy to locate the essential information you need on diagnosis, testing, disease processes, and the latest treatment and management strategies •Valuable as a clinical refresher or for board review •Strikes the perfect balance between clinical necessity and brevity Renal Failure, Diagnosis & Treatment is a practical book that provides a comprehensive description of the evaluation of renal insufficiency. It teaches

the physician how to recognise the tell-tale signs of the diseases that cause kidney failure and how to confirm their presence in an efficient manner. Major teaching points are reinforced by the presentation of 20 problem cases for the reader's diagnosis. The book also details the general management of the patient with renal failure and the treatment of various causative diseases. Once dialysis treatment, in 1960, permitted life prolongation for some but not all patients in kidney failure, an 'ethical genie' was released. The introduction of peritoneal dialysis and kidney transplantation compounded

the physician's dilemma by underscoring those left untreated. Who should be selected for uremia therapy? Should exclusion from treatment be properly delegated to administrators or physicians, or better left to a committee? Are some candidates more worthy than others? As examples: Do Presidents and Kings warrant priority in cadaver organ allocation over ordinary citizens? Are rich people more deserving than the poor? Is it ethical to choose a younger over an older patient? Can children and/or mentally incompetent persons serve as living organ donors? Is it proper to market organs under

controlled circumstances? Eli A. Friedman, an experienced nephrology training program director, and Medical Advisor to the American Association of Kidney Patients, has collected 24 difficult cases that focus on these and other vexing though common stressful issues faced by those who manage kidney patients. Using a novel approach to each case, the opinions of lawyers, nephrologists, patients, and a transplant surgeon are proffered sequentially. Friedman asks and then answers searching questions arising from the debate. The quality of information presented is positively flavored by the fact that three of the

respondents (one an attorney) are kidney transplant recipients. Members of the kidney team, those immersed in seeking truth in medical ethics, and all participating in exploring the legality or ethical basis of organ replacement will find this book pertinent to their effort. During the past 40 years there have been major conceptual and technical advances in the domain of dialysis methods and renal/organ transplantation for long-term treatment of patients with End-Stage Renal Failure (ESRF). This now enables better defined, more selective strategies of treatment to be undertaken, according to patient-specific criteria such as

age or underlying renal disease also taking into account the lifetime duration of these treatments. For many patients this implies necessary successive changes of mode of therapy depending on their availability, occurrence of medical/technical complications or failure and social-environmental and economic factors. This rationale has inspired the structure of this volume which is divided into four sections: 1/ A descriptive overview of the various modes of renal replacement therapy (RRT): Extracorporeal dialysis/filtration, peritoneal dialysis, kidney and multi-organ transplantation.2/ Most

appropriate indications and use of these methods, respective advantages, drawbacks and outcome in children, pregnant women and elderly patients 3/ In diabetic patients and in patients with hereditary/congenital diseases. 4/ The ethical issues generated by this new domain in Medicine by limitations in treatment facilities or medical dilemmas for acceptance, best technical choices, withdrawal or termination of RRT in individual patients. Finally, contributors from Eastern European Countries, Africa and Far Eastern Countries analyse the current status of RRT in their respective geographical area and the ways and means

required for a wider implementation of RRT in thus far lesser economically developed countries where the great majority of the populations still have no access to these life-saving therapeutic procedures. This book is the first title that focuses exclusively on kidney disease and its impact in the cardiac catheterization laboratory. The increasing prevalence of vascular risk factors such as diabetes, obesity and hypertension coupled with increased longevity has resulted in a worldwide epidemic of cardiovascular and chronic kidney disease (CKD). Never has the impact of one organ system on the other been

so profound, as in the current context of cardio-renal interactions. The cross talk between the heart and kidneys is highly relevant in the field of interventional cardiology, given the increasing number of transcatheter procedures being performed in patients with underlying kidney disease. These procedures also have a significant impact on kidney function and require thoughtful interdisciplinary planning by a cardiorenal team, to achieve optimal outcomes This book assembles the collective expertise of several international leaders in the field of interventional cardiology and nephrology to summarize this complex

interface. The book is divided into seven sections to comprehensively cover the topic, including sections on best practices with reduction of contrast associated acute kidney injury, cutting edge techniques to minimize kidney risk with complex interventions, impact of transcatheter valvular procedures on kidney function and the utility of cardio-nephrology teams . Less recognized complications with high morbidity such as athero-embolic renal disease are featured prominently, to increase awareness in the interventional cardiology and nephrology communities. This book is a valuable resource for

interventional and structural cardiologists, general cardiologists and nephrologists dealing with the significant overlap areas between these two specialties. It is also relevant to medical students, trainee physicians in nephrology and cardiology, advanced care practitioners and nursing personnel in both specialties . Given the major impact of kidney function on outcomes in patients undergoing cardiac procedures, this textbook serves as a focal point to integrate relevant clinical data from both specialties and help interventional cardiologists achieve optimal outcomes, especially in patients with (or

at risk for) kidney disease. CHARLES Y. c. PAK Major progress has been made in the pathophysiologic elucidation and management of nephrolithiasis during the past two decades. It is now possible to detect the cause of stone disease in more than 95% of patients, to prevent recurrent formation of stones in the majority of patients, and to remove most existing stones less invasively. The assumption of editorship of this book permits me to indulge in the discussion of this progress from my personal perspective. Three somewhat fortuitous events in my academic career dictated my directing major efforts in stone research. The



first event occurred in 1963 when, after having completed medical training, I was faced with two years of military service as a participant of the Berry plan. Choices were limited and disconcerting for someone interested in a research career: a staff physician at a military installation or an Indian reservation, or a member of a research team in a state penitentiary. An interesting article by Norman Gershfeld on phospholipid monolayers prompted me to write him seeking a position in his laboratory of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, MD. Partly because of my rudimentary exposure and

publication in surface chemistry, I was offered a position as a staff scientist and a position in the Public Health Service which satisfied the requirements of a military service. While the news that you or a loved one has kidney disease can be shocking, for over 26 million Americans, it is a reality. After the initial diagnosis, patients and families usually have a myriad of questions about treatment options. *What You Must Know About Kidney Disease* is designed not only to answer these questions, but also to provide the up-to-date information you need to cope with this potentially devastating problem. The book

is divided into three parts. Part One provides an overview of the kidneys' structure and function, as well as common kidney disorders. It also guides you in asking your doctor questions that will help you better understand both status and prognosis. Part Two examines kidney problems and their conventional treatments. Part Three provides an in-depth look at the most effective complementary treatments, from lifestyle changes to alternative healing methods. The diagnosis of kidney disease is the first step of an unexpected journey. *What You Must Know About Kidney Disease* will help you understand the challenges

ahead and choose the very best treatments available. This thoughtful new book presents strategies for helping end-stage renal disease patients and their families deal with the psychosocial aspects of the chronic long-term illness. Technological advances in the treatment of this disease have offered much hope for improved quality in living which has led caregivers to have a greater concern for preserving the quality of life of their patients. In *Psychosocial Aspects of End-Stage Renal Disease* leaders in the field of many disciplines share knowledge and reveal problems that are still evident to them in the confrontation with this

potentially fatal illness. Five comprehensive sections devote special attention to the different areas of concern for the psychosocial well-being of end-stage renal disease patients. The impact of renal disease on family relationships is covered by examining issues of family responses and coping measures such as marital and family reactions to home and hospital dialysis treatment. Ethical issues in treatment are explored, including the ethics of treatment refusal and a Jewish perspective on kidney transplants. Relations between staff and patients and a timely section on renal disease and special populations, particularly the elderly and

AIDS patients, make up the final two sections of this informative volume. Professionals in all allied health disciplines will benefit from this important volume as it demonstrates a model approach, if not the definitive one, for the treatment of the psychosocial aspects of end-stage renal disease as well as other chronic illnesses. Because of the increase in serious kidney diseases, including end-stage renal disease, your role as a nephrologist, intensivist, surgeon, or critical care physician is quickly expanding. Well received in its 1st edition, this 2nd edition continues to provide comprehensive

coverage of the latest advances in critical care procedures for the adult or pediatric patient with renal diseases or disorders. Presents a common language and standardized guidelines to help multi-disciplinary physicians caring for the critically ill communicate more effectively. A new US editor, detailed discussions of different forms of organ support, artificial organs, infections, acute illness occurring in chronic hemodialysis patients, and much more make this book an exceptional resource for anyone who treats critically ill renal patients. Presents a multi-disciplinary and international approach to

critical renal care for a thorough and integrated presentation of how to care for critically ill patients with renal disease or complications. Addresses the full range of renal problems, from epidemiology to monitoring and diagnostic procedures to pathophysiology of organ systems in relation to kidney failure. Provides details on different forms of organ support, including liver, lung, and cardiac therapy. Defines common guidelines in nephrology and critical care medicine for better communication among clinicians. Places a special emphasis on therapeutic interventions and treatment

procedures for a hands on clinical reference tool. Features a new US editor, Dr. John Kellum, who incorporates his expertise in critical care medicine to the 2nd edition and extends the breadth of coverage with a North American perspective. Discusses new techniques in the field providing you with a comprehensive review of the experimental and clinical work being done. Features shorter, more focused chapters to help you access key facts quicker. A practical guide to the diagnosis and management of renal disorders in children. Each chapter is presented as a series of challenging case scenarios with detailed analysis of

symptoms and signs, laboratory data, differential diagnosis, and management. A bibliography is included after each set of clinical cases. The book covers current 'hot topics' including nuclear medicine, diary for assessment of voiding disorders, renal biopsy tissue, research methodology, biostatistics, and drug therapy in kidney disease. The book is highly illustrated with anatomical artwork, radiological images, tables and clinical urinary histopathological plates. Key points Practical guide to diagnosis and management of renal disorders in children Chapters presented as series of challenging case scenarios

Discusses current 'hot topics' Highly illustrated with anatomical artwork, radiological images, tables and urinary histological plates This book provides a unique and comprehensive analysis of the normal anatomy and pathology of the kidney and upper urinary tract from the modern diagnostic imaging point of view. The first part is dedicated to the normal radiological anatomy of the kidney and normal anatomic variants. The second part presents in detail all of the imaging modalities which can be employed to assess the kidney and the upper urinary tract, with careful descriptions of patient preparation, investigation

protocols, and principal fields of application of each imaging modality. The entire spectrum of kidney pathologies is then presented with the aid of a large set of images, many of which are in color. The latest innovations in interventional radiology, biopsy procedures, and parametric and molecular imaging are also described. This book should be of great interest to all radiologists, oncologists, and urologists who are involved in the management of kidney pathologies in their daily clinical practice. This practical guide to the management of emergency situations in everyday clinical practice contains details on how to treat

acute medical emergencies and how to provide treatment for the patient while awaiting specialist help. The field of interventional nephrology needs to be viewed as a new road towards improving the diagnostic methods and the dialysis access care provided to chronic kidney disease patients across the world. The above issues remain a weak link in the training of young nephrologists and a major hurdle both in the planning and maintenance phase of renal replacement therapy, as well as in the accuracy and safety of diagnosing renal impairment causation. Traditionally, the procedural aspect of care has been left in many cases to

surgeons and/or radiologists. The above facts lead in many cases to patient inconvenience and high health care cost. The aim of this book is not only learning the necessary skills to perform renal medical procedures, but for nephrologists to assume leadership roles in coordinating a team to provide the best possible care. Mostly, this book is focused on details and "secrets" that can make the results better than we expect. Introducing renal physicians to the insertion of tunneled lines, medical insertion of peritoneal catheters and kidney biopsies (native and transplant) from the nephrologist's view is a great need in renal society. The

primary focus of this book is to generate interest and awareness of the scope of interventional nephrology. The nephrology community across the world needs to evaluate the available resources to discuss the role of various team members and strive to improve patient care. Editors' and authors experiences are exposed in the book, which tends to help the growth and progress of this subspecialty. The trend is also seen as a recruiting tool to train the nephrology workforce in the future. Urology is one of the most rapidly advancing specialties of medicine and this book is a concise guide to the medical management of

urologic disorders. Divided into two sections, each chapter examines the use of drug therapy to treat different urological conditions. Section 1 covers benign urological diseases including erectile dysfunction, urinary incontinence and prostate enlargement. Section 2 covers the medical treatment of urological cancer, including renal, bladder, prostate, testicular, and Wilm's Tumour. This concise guide also provides trainees with a quick reference to drug choice, dosing and complications. Normal values of laboratory tests of urological interest are included in the appendix. Key points Concise guide to medical

management of urological disorders Covers benign conditions and urological cancers Quick reference on drug choice, dosing and complications Includes summary of normal values of laboratory tests Since 1972, many victims of endstage renal disease (ESRD) have received treatment under a unique Medicare entitlement. This book presents a comprehensive analysis of the federal ESRD program: who uses it, how well it functions, and what improvements are needed. The book includes recommendations on patient eligibility, reimbursement, quality assessment, medical ethics, and research needs.

Kidney Failure and the Federal Government offers a wealth of information on these and other topics: The ESRD patient population. Dialysis and transplantation providers. Issues of patient access and availability of treatment. Ethical issues related to treatment initiation and termination. Payment policies and their relationship to quality of care. This book will have a major impact on the future of the ESRD program and will be of interest to health policymakers, nephrologists and other individual providers, treatment site administrators, and researchers. Percutaneous Renal Surgery will provide surgeons and

urologists/nephrologists with a well-illustrated, full-colour expert guide to performing these complex and difficult surgical procedures safely and effectively. Focus throughout is on percutaneous management of three major conditions: large renal calculi (percutaneous nephrolithotomy), transitional cell cancer (percutaneous resection of tumor) and renal cell cancer (percutaneous cryotherapy and radiofrequency ablation). For each of these conditions, leading surgeons and urologists will cover:

- Epidemiology of the disease
- Evolution of evidence-based outcomes for percutaneous management
- Patient selection

and informed consent

Instrumentation Surgical technique 10 high-quality videos of surgery in action will provide an excellent visual guide to best practice and tips/tricks while performing surgery, making this a perfect multi-media teaching tool.

Peritoneal dialysis (PD) is a valid renal replacement therapy when incorporated in an overall integrated care programme for end-stage renal disease patients. Despite this fact, PD has not yet been established as a true long-term dialysis modality. This practical handbook offers sensible advice as well as detailed information on virtually all clinical and pathophysiological

aspects of PD in a readily accessible format and explains the complexities of PD in a clear but still scientific and comprehensive way. Due to its handy size it fits in a white coat pocket of a nephrologist visiting a PD patient during rounds or in the outpatient ambulatory setting.

Nephrologists, residents in nephrology and internal medicine, and all other health care workers - nurses, pharmacists, dieticians, intensivists, and medical students - involved with patients suffering from end-stage renal disease will find this book very helpful for understanding the scientific background of PD.

Hypertension remains the leading cause of cardiovascular morbidity and mortality in spite of current medical therapies. It has been estimated that 50% of Western civilization has hypertension and approximately 20% of patients have resistant hypertension. Renal denervation (RDN) is a minimally invasive, endovascular catheter based procedure using radiofrequency ablation aimed at treating resistant hypertension. Early studies show a high degree of effectiveness in renal denervation to treat hypertension. This book examines renal pathophysiology and the

rationale for renal denervation, as well as possible long term benefits and risks of this new therapy. The myriad of devices involved in the evolution of this therapy are discussed and the book concludes with analyses of the cost effectiveness and future applications. Chronic renal disease has received increasing attention and concern since the passage in 1972 of PL 92-603, which provided coverage for end-stage renal disease (ESRD) treatment by the federal government. The human and economic costs of the ESRD program serve to emphasize the need to prevent or to arrest those diseases resulting in chronic renal failure, since

none of the available treatments is without complications and/or side effects. The ESRD program, the only federal one that provides coverage for a catastrophic illness for almost the entire population (those qualifying under Social Security), cost almost \$2 billion in 1983. The escalating costs of the ESRD program are attributed to the increasing number of patients requiring treatment and have focused concerns of the United States Government, both Congress and the administration, on ESRD. The National Institutes of Health (NIH), especially the Kidney, Urology, and Hematology Division of the National



Institutes of Arthritis, Diabetes, and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIADDK), supports a sizable research program that bears on chronic renal disease and in association with this has sponsored many conferences and workshops on research on and causes and complications of chronic renal failure. This book is an outgrowth of the issues addressed by participants at a number of NIH conferences held in the 1980s. As the dialysis population grows, an expert medical resource on the percutaneous creation and maintenance of vascular access is much needed. This book fulfills exactly that need, engaging interventional

radiologists, vascular surgeons, interventional nephrologists, and the medical support personnel serving these patients. Providing a clear understanding of best techniques and practices, the authors present an unbiased discussion of patient preparation, procedures, and new devices and equipment. Logically organized and concluding with a compelling collection of 15 noteworthy cases, the book is the culminating work of leading experts in their specialties. The first truly practical reference dedicated to this topic, *Essentials of Percutaneous Dialysis Interventions* extends across multiple medical

specialties to address a global health problem. Easy to use, reader-friendly, and portable, experienced practitioners and trainees alike will find this book to be of daily value. A revolutionary program that can indefinitely postpone the need for dialysis. If you've been diagnosed with kidney failure, this book could save your life. If you suffer from diabetes, hypertension, obesity, or any of a host of conditions that put you at risk for kidney disease, you owe it to yourself to read what is in this book. If you are among the 60,000 North Americans who go on dialysis each year, the information in this book could substantially improve your quality of life. In

Coping with Kidney Disease, a leading expert tells you, in plain English, what you need to know to: \* Understand kidney failure \* Recognize early warning signs of kidney failure \* Get a proper diagnosis \* Talk with your doctors about it \* Confidently evaluate treatment options \* Take charge of your treatment \* Delay dialysis or even avoid the need for it altogether The centerpiece of Coping with Kidney Disease is Dr. Walser's revolutionary 12-step program for avoiding dialysis. Based on treatments he has pioneered with his own patients at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, the program calls for a supplemented low-protein diet

supported by treatments to control blood pressure and correct high cholesterol. So effective has this breakthrough strategy proven to be that in many patients it actually worked to slow or arrest the progression of kidney failure to the end stage. Knowledge is power. Coping with Kidney Disease empowers you with what you need to take charge of kidney disease. Renal Cancer: Current Status and Innovations provides a useful guide to the fundamental basics and latest diagnostic and treatment techniques for Renal Cancer. It features clearly structured and easy-to-understand chapters enabling the reader to develop a

thorough understanding of screening, surveillance, diagnostics, pathology, robotic and open surgical approaches, ablation, medical treatment, psychology, and future innovations. The book provides a valuable resource for the full spectrum of clinicians involved in the multidisciplinary management of Renal Cancer. Learn to perform more than 50 of the most common surgical procedures with this step-by-step, superbly illustrated guide! CURRENT Procedures Surgery is a unique combination atlas and text that details everything that you must know to perform more than 50 key surgical procedures. It covers the full

spectrum of general surgery in an ultra-convenient, at-a-glance format, with more than 400 beautifully rendered illustrations to guide you every step of the way. An easy to follow template for each procedure includes: Indications, Contraindications, Informed Consent, Equipment, Patient Preparation, Patient Positioning, Procedure, Postoperative Care, Potential Complications, Pearls and Tips, References. Features: More than 400 illustrations created specifically for this book along with clear, concise text show you how to perform essential surgical procedures Coverage includes procedures for the breast, gastrointestinal tract,

diaphragm, pancreas, liver, thyroid, parathyroid, adrenal, arteries and veins, and more Templated presentation facilitates rapid review Author's pearls and tips included for each procedure A must-have resource for anyone starting their surgical residency This comprehensive volume provides a detailed review on the general work up of chronic kidney disease-associated resistant hypertension. This title is separated into four parts; the first of which provides definitions, epidemiology, characteristics, risk stratification and outcomes of resistant and apparent treatment resistant

hypertension. The next two sections explore pathophysiology and diagnosis, treatment in the light of new guidelines, as well as procedures and devices for neural modulation. Part four discusses public health approaches to resistant hypertension, educational programs, and resistant hypertension for general practitioners. Resistant Hypertension in CKD brings up-to-date information to nephrologists, internists, cardiologists and a wide array of other clinicians and health professionals taking care of chronic kidney disease patients. Chronic kidney disease (CKD) is a global health

burden with associated high economic costs to the health system. Main factors are the increasing number of patients with diabetes and hypertension and the aging of the population. CKD has been associated with increased risks of cardiovascular morbidity, premature mortality, and/or decreased quality of life. In this new volume, renowned Japanese scientists present their recent research results. Papers cover various aspects of kidney diseases such as cystic kidney diseases, treatment of lupus nephritis, renal anemia and iron metabolism, cell sheet engineering, frailty and outcomes of dialysis patients, and the socioeconomics of

rituximab in nephrotic syndrome. Due to the wide range of topics presented, this book will be of interest to readers from various clinical and research settings connected with the care of CKD patients. Presented in the consistent, easy-to-follow CURRENT style, offers incisive, ready-to-use management protocols and valuable therapeutic guidelines--from authors who are recognized as the field's foremost authorities. One-of-a-kind clinical overview of all major diseases and disorders, from end-stage renal disease to primary and secondary hypertension. A practical, learn-as-you-go approach to diagnosing and

treating renal disorders and hypertension that combines disease management techniques with the latest clinically proven therapies. Up-to-date coverage of transplantation medicine and need-to-know interventional procedures. An important review of subspecialty considerations: renal disease in the elderly, diabetic nephropathy, critical care nephrology, and dialysis. Expert authorship from prominent clinicians in the areas of kidney disease, dialysis, and hypertension. The kidneys participate in all vital processes of the body to maintain overall homeostasis and health. When kidneys are

injured during surgical interventions, metabolic and hemodynamic control is disrupted, leading to dysfunction associated with greater mortality, length of hospital stay and cost. Peri-operative Kidney Injury presents the epidemiology, risk factors, diagnosis, treatment and outcomes associated with kidney injury during the peri-operative period. Concepts and principles of care to prevent kidney complications during surgical procedures are provided to equip health care professionals along with strategies to manage acute kidney injury and associated challenges when they occur. Chapters detail diverse surgical

settings, ranging from the more common, such as abdominal, cardiac and vascular surgeries, to the intricately complex, including the use of the left ventricular assist device and organ transplants. This practical and comprehensive text blends the evidence-based standards of care with cutting edge advances in the field, while also providing the reader with a peek into innovations on the horizon. This book provides a comprehensive and systematic review of the latest findings in a wide spectrum of clinically important aspects of chronic kidney disease (CKD), focusing on clinical diagnosis and therapeutics. CKD is a global

health problem with a rising morbidity and mortality. The last decade has seen significant improvements in determining the incidence, prevalence, and complications of CKD, mainly thanks to the definitions of CKD developed by the National Kidney Foundation's Kidney Disease Outcomes Quality Initiative (K/DOQI). However, increased recognition of CKD has led to awareness of the limitations of its clinical diagnosis and treatment, which are essential to patients' wellbeing. This book is of particular value not only to nephrologists, but also to general practitioners and residents with an interest in CKD. It offers a well-organized

exposition of the current knowledge base. Compared with previously published books on kidney disease and CKD, it has a smaller number of more concise chapters. As a result, readers can easily obtain an overview of the most important topics in CKD. We hope that practitioners will gain as much from reading this practical guide to clinical management of CKD as we have from editing it. A practical, up-to-date guide to the diagnosis, understanding, and treatment of kidney problems and hypertension in adult patients "In contrast to many other books in this area, this one provides a concise yet comprehensive review of each

topic without getting lost in too much detail..." - Doody's Review Service (review of previous edition) Presented in the consistent, easy-to-follow CURRENT format, CURRENT Diagnosis & Treatment Nephrology & Hypertension, Second Edition delivers incisive, ready-to-use management protocols and valuable therapeutic guidelines from authors who are recognized as the field's foremost authorities. This essential clinical companion features a practical learn-as-you-go approach to diagnosing and treating renal disorders and hypertension that combines disease management techniques with the latest

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dialysis, transplantation, critical care nephrology, interventional nephrology, palliative care nephrology, clinical renal pharmacology, as well as a new area of specialization - onco-nephrology •Consistently formatted chapters make it easy to locate the essential information you need on diagnosis, testing, disease processes, and the latest treatment and management strategies •Valuable as a clinical refresher or for board review •Strikes the perfect balance between clinical necessity and brevity Peritoneal dialysis (PD) is in widespread use for the treatment of acute and chronic

renal failure. A considerable amount of knowledge about the various procedures and problems associated with this form of treatment has accumulated over recent years, particularly since the introduction of continuous ambulatory peritoneal dialysis (CAPD). However to date the information regarding the more technical or practical aspects of PD has been largely scattered in various books and journals. There appears to be no straightforward text concerned with these points suitable for recommending to junior doctors or nurses dealing with patients receiving this therapy. Though in-house-training is of considerable

value it takes time and I have noticed that on a number of occasions in our own unit, technical problems with PD have not been dealt with quickly because of lack of knowledge in the staff on duty. There thus appeared to me to be a need for a short book giving firm advice on how to perform the various procedures and how to deal with problems as they arose. This manual is an attempt to fulfil that aim. Initially it was tried and tested on the renal unit in the Cardiff Royal Infirmary for 3 years. Prior to publishing it has been extensively revised and updated. Despite the rising popularity of the minimally invasive laparoscopic option,

open nephron-sparing surgery is still seen by many experts as the 'gold standard' for open surgery for kidney tumors and should remain the first choice for many patients. This challenges the idea that less-invasive therapies are always more desirable than open surgery. Historically, clinical decisions in renal medicine have been challenged by the scarce availability of robust supportive evidence. Not only are the number of randomized controlled trials (RCTs) in Nephrology the third lowest amongst the medical specialties but in many instances the trials themselves are of poor quality. In addition, practice has been further

influenced by extrapolation from the outcomes of general population clinical trials which exclude renal patients. The difference between the ideal trial participant and real complex cases encountered in daily practice is well recognized and further compounded in renal patients with complex pathophysiology - this ultimately makes decision making in this subset of patients a real challenge. Recently, there has been a growing interest in conducting well designed RCTs in different areas of renal medicine. However, though clinical guidelines are helpful in providing the clinicians with a frame of best available

evidence for a clinical condition, it denies the unique nature of each individual patient. This book offers a thorough and critical appraisal and evaluation of the key published clinical trials that have shaped current practice in nephrology, dialysis and transplantation. It will help the practicing physician close the gap between the inflexible and generalized nature of clinical guidelines and the day-to-day clinical decision-making for individual patients. It will provide the clinician with the tools required to investigate and extract the appropriate guidance to apply to individual cases in daily practice. Moreover, it will help improve



the ability of junior colleagues to appraise available evidence in a systematic way when there is lack of local guidelines or when the guidelines are difficult to apply due to logistic constraints or barriers. Lastly, this book will serve as a reference for key clinical trials in different areas of renal medicine together with literature and authors views of these trials and their impact on changing practice. An implausible inheritance from a former patient prompts a Seattle doctor to reshuffle her life priorities and seek a life partner once and for all. Browsing on the Internet, she finds her match in Steve. Steve brings joy, but also

complications into the doctor's life. For one, there is nine-year-old Brita who declares "I hate every centimeter of you!" More seriously, there is the complication of Steve's failing health. Steve falls precipitously into the abyss of kidney failure, requiring urgent dialysis. "Complications" takes the reader on a tumultuous course of medical and personal trials as Dr. Gromko exerts the most powerful advocacy of her life. Enormous progress has been made in the treatment of chronic renal failure over the last decades. Until the 1950s, chronic renal failure was considered to be an inexorably lethal condition. This is no longer the case. In addition,

the disease, severe uremic syndrome, is now extremely rare, if existent at all, in industrialized countries. Physicians of my generation who saw patients hospitalized with hemorrhages, pericarditis, severe anemia, cardiac failure, "malignant hypertension," pruritus, vomiting, generalized edema, and convulsions are particularly grateful for this progress. I well remember seeing such patients hospitalized in the last days or weeks of their lives and also remember the sense of impotence I suffered for the complete lack of efficient measures I had at my disposal to manage their condition.

Nowadays, hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, and kidney transplantation allow patients with chronic renal failure to survive for very long periods of time in a satisfactory condition. Why then is there still a sense of dissatisfaction and why should we study dietary management? The drawbacks of dialysis and transplantation are the main reasons, but the certainty that dietary therapy is complementary to dialysis and even better than dialysis in certain conditions, is also very important.

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