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Advanced Health Assessment & Clinical Diagnosis in Primary Care

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INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

This manual provides an overview of *Advanced Health Assessment and Clinical Diagnosis in Primary Care, 7th Edition*. This comprehensive text is designed to advance your skills in diagnostic and clinical reasoning, moving beyond basic physical examination to accurately evaluate common conditions encountered in primary care settings. It employs a systematic approach, guiding you through a diagnostic reasoning process from chief complaint to clinical diagnosis.
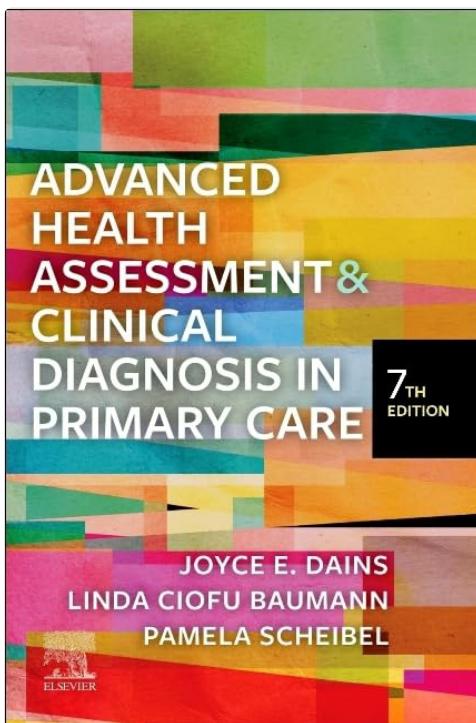

Image: Front cover of the textbook, displaying the title, edition, and authors.

CORE METHODOLOGY: DIAGNOSTIC REASONING PROCESS

The book is structured to facilitate a clear and consistent diagnostic reasoning process, essential for advanced practice. Each section builds upon the previous, guiding the reader through the clinical thought process:

- **Diagnostic Reasoning: Focused History:** Utilizes "self-questions" to guide the collection of pertinent, problem-specific patient history for differential diagnosis.

- **Diagnostic Reasoning: Focused Physical Examination:** Explains advanced diagnostic techniques and interpretation of findings.

- **Key Questions:** Provides essential questions to ask patients, along with explanations of the clinical significance of their responses.

- **Laboratory and Diagnostic Studies:** Outlines appropriate tests based on history and physical examination findings.

- **Differential Diagnosis:** Presents common diagnoses for each patient problem, summarizing history, physical examination findings, and recommended studies. Quick-reference tables are included.

KEY FEATURES AND CONTENT HIGHLIGHTS

This edition integrates critical topics and practical tools to enhance clinical practice:

- **Care of Transgender and Gender-Diverse (TGD) Patients:** A unique chapter providing knowledge for assessing and caring for this underserved population.

- **Pediatrics Integration:** Content on pediatric assessment is integrated throughout the text, offering a true lifespan focus.

- **Abuse and Sexual Assault Screening:** Information to assist in identifying patients who may require additional support or intervention.

- **Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines:** A dedicated chapter to aid in screening for common asymptomatic conditions and promoting wellness.

- **Compact and Convenient Size:** Designed for portability, fitting easily into a lab-coat pocket, with colored thumb tabs for quick navigation.

- **Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) Content:** Serves as a complementary resource for advanced assessment alongside other health assessment textbooks.

Image: A banner graphic displaying the book's title and edition, emphasizing its focus on advanced health assessment.

NEW IN THE 7TH EDITION

The 7th edition incorporates significant updates and new content to reflect current healthcare practices and societal considerations:

- **Updated Content:** Reflects the latest evidence-based approaches in clinical diagnosis and diagnostic reasoning throughout the text.

- **Contemporary Approaches in Primary Care Settings:** A new chapter applying public health principles to primary care, including coverage of telehealth, screenings, immunizations, epidemics, and the cultural-spiritual-holistic context of care.

- **Race, Ethnicity, Sexual Orientation, and Gender Identity:** Updated content with special sensitivity to healthcare inequality related to social determinants of health.

- **Veterans' Health:** A new chapter addressing health concerns specific to veterans, such as military sexual trauma (MST) and hazardous exposures.

- **Scrotal Pain and Masses:** A new chapter dedicated to this common problem encountered in primary care settings.

- **Evidence-Based Practice Boxes:** Updated summaries of the latest scientific literature relevant to patient problem diagnosis.

Image: A banner highlighting the book's focus on building diagnostic and clinical reasoning skills, and mentioning updated content on evidence-based approaches, race/ethnicity/gender identity, and veterans' health.

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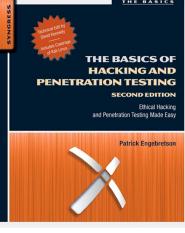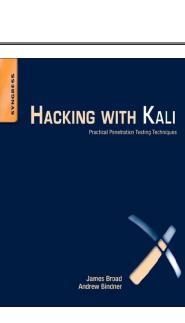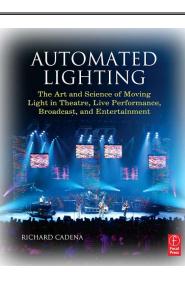
Image: A banner illustrating the book's emphasis on key questions for assessment, including patient questions, response explanations, and recommended laboratory and diagnostic studies.

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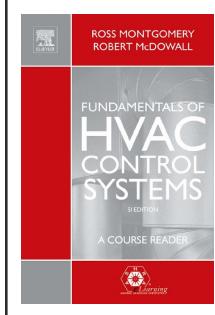
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