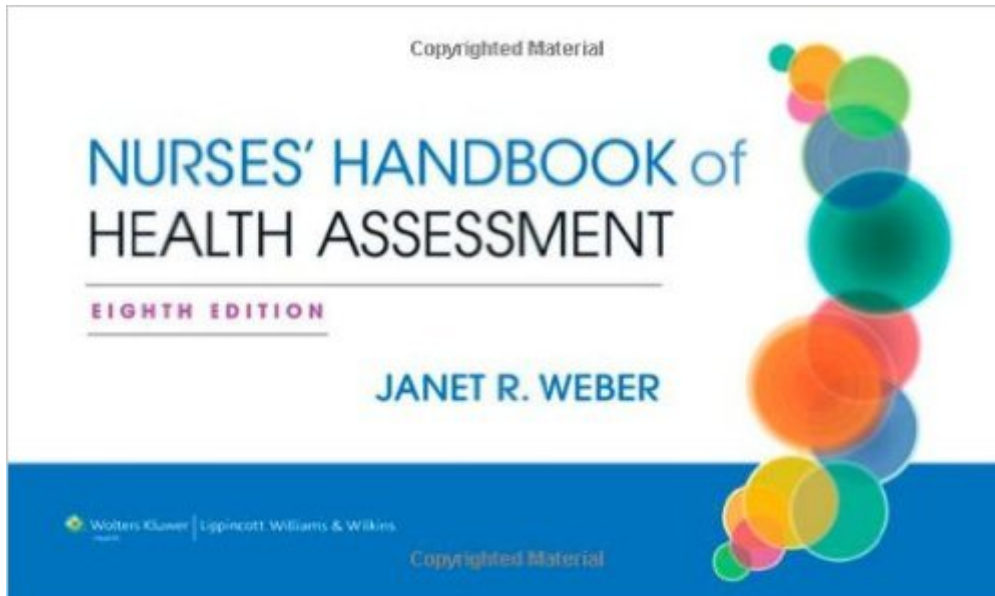


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Renowned for its holistic perspective and step-by-step approach, this pocket-size text takes you through every stage of the nursing assessment for adults and special populations. The book's clear and concise guidance provides all that you need to perform a range of common assessment procedures with confidence. Look inside to find a renowned three-column format showing assessment techniques, normal findings, and abnormal findings side by side to enhance comprehension. Step-by-step guidance clearly demonstrating the what, why, and how of each phase of the assessment process. The latest NANDA nursing diagnoses and updated teaching tips helping you promote patient self-care. Pediatric, geriatric, and cultural considerations for each body system showing important variations for these special populations.

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Packed with misinformation.

The advice that the foreskin of an intact baby boy should be retractable from 3 months of age is incorrect and dangerous. The foreskin is adhered to the glans penis in infancy and is often not retractable for several years. Furthermore nobody but the boy himself should ever attempt to retract it, and then only if he can do so comfortably, because to do so can lead to tearing and scarring. Contrary to what this handbook claims, inability to retract is not evidence of phimosis until the boy has completed puberty. This handbook also claims, incorrectly, that being intact (i.e., not having

undergone circumcision) is a risk factor for prostate cancer and for HIV infection. The alleged link between intact status and prostate cancer is flimsy and the alleged link between intact status and HIV/AIDS has been disproven.

There is a glaring error on page 613 (Assessment Procedure for Male Genitalia, Infant). The manual advises that intact (non-circumcised) infant penises should be retractable. This is patently false. Any person with a scintilla of medical knowledge is fully aware that newborns/infants have foreskins that are fused to the glans and should never be retracted. To do so is to cause grave injury to the meatus and will likely result in infection. I trust Dr. Weber will correct this error so as to avoid further insult to newborn males and to prevent possible malpractice suits against medical professionals who take this error as gospel.

As a childbirth educator I thought the addition of this book to my shelf would be helpful. However, it contains medical misinformation regarding intact baby boys. There is some helpful information in the book...Will I throw out the baby with the bath water? Yes! There are plenty of other helpful manuals out there that don't ignorantly advise practitioners to harm their babies and recommend excruciating, irreversible genital surgery on them. I'm in awe that this book went to publication. I guess it just shows how you can put anything in print these days.

This book provides invalid information regarding normal child development with regard to intact (uncircumcised) penis. Chapter 25 Page 613. If nurses follow what is recommended in this book, they are liable for lawsuits. Has the author never heard of the AAP guidelines for intact care? I suggest they revise this book immediately as what is written in this book here has been clinically re-written MANY MANY years ago.

This handbook is ok, the textbook is better. Some of the diagrams are labeled wrong and are mismatched. This is required for my course, but I normally wind up using the text book on my kindle fire, the textbook is more thorough and accurate.

I'm a first semester nursing student, so I use this book mostly to help with narrative documentation. The organization is pretty good. It only took me a few minutes to get familiar with the layout and I can find things quickly and easily. The size is convenient and eliminates my need to bring a full size textbook to the facility- definitely a plus with all the gear nursing students have to tote around. I read

other reviews that mentioned an error in pediatrics. An instructor of mine confirmed that is definitely an error and that is the reason for my 4 star rating. Aside from that minor detail, it's a great resource. I don't necessarily use the assessment techniques portion of it right now because assessment is the focus of my course this semester, but I see it being a valuable tool in the future when I need a refresher for focused assessments.

The author is terribly ignorant of normal male baby and child development. For example, she claims that the foreskin of the young child is retractable. This misinformation is a potentially very harmful thing to publish in a nursing textbook. In fact, the foreskin of the baby and young child is fused to the glans, and may not separate from the glans until the boy is in his teens. The child's foreskin should never be retracted -- not even a little bit -- by anyone except the boy himself, when he is ready. Such an egregious error in a medical textbook should make the student very wary.

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