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## **Named a 2013 Doody's Core Title!**

"The evidence-based protocols are designed as a primary reference and are useful, substantive, and timely...The broader contributions of useful format and succinct review of the evidence make it likely that this text will continue to be the leading resource in nursing education and practice."--**The Gerontologist**

"Now more than ever, nurses are called upon to lead efforts to embed evidence-based practice in daily operations. As the IOM report states, 'nurses have key roles to play as team members and leaders for a reformed and better-integrated, patient-centered health care system.' The process of implementing sweeping change in health care will likely take years; however, nurses must start pragmatically and focus on these critically important protocols that have demonstrated improved outcomes for older adults. Simply stated, 'Pick this book up and use it.'"

From the Foreword, **Susan L. Carlson**, MSN, APRN, ACNS-BC, GNP-BC, FNGNA  
President, National Gerontological Nursing Association

"As a gerontological clinical educator/research nurse, I will often use this as a reference. The format and the content are good, and the explanations of how to best use the evidence simplify the process of sifting through mountains of information to figure the best practice." **Score: 97, 5 Stars. --Doody's**

One of the premier reference books for geriatric nurses in hospital, long-term, and community settings, this 4th edition has been thoroughly updated to provide the most current, evidence-based protocols for care of common clinical conditions and issues in elderly patients. Designed to improve the quality, outcomes, and cost-effectiveness of health care, these guidelines are the result of collaboration between leading practitioners and educators in geriatric nursing and New York University College of Nursing.

Protocols for each clinical condition have been developed by experts in that particular area, and most have been systematically tested by over 300 participating hospitals in "Nurses Improving Care for Health System Elders" (NICHE). Evidence is derived from all levels of care, including community, primary, and long-term care. A systematic method in compliance with the AGREE appraisal process was used to rate the levels of evidence for each protocol. Protocols are organized in a consistent format for ease of use, and each includes an overview, evidence-based assessment and intervention strategies, and an illustrative case study with discussion. Additionally, each protocol is embedded within chapter text, which provides the context and detailed evidence for the protocol. Each chapter contains resources for further study.

## **Key Features:**

- Updated to provide a wide range of evidence-based geriatric protocols for best practices
- Contains new chapters on function-focused care, catheter-associated urinary tract infections, mistreatment

detection, acute care models, and transitional care

- Illustrates application of clinical protocols to real-life practice through case studies and discussion
- Edited by nationally known leaders in geriatric nursing education and practice, who are endorsed by the Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing and NICHE
- Encompasses the contributions of 58 leading practitioners of geriatric care
- Written for nursing students, nurse leaders, and practitioners at all levels, including those in specialty roles

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