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No one knows when the aromatic essences of certain trees and plants began to be cherished. Their ability to comfort as well as heal ailments predates recorded history. Within the pages of this book lie the gifts of knowledge. You can learn how and why pure essential oils share their powerful life force in ways that support and maintain our health.

Much more than just a study calendar, Saunders Student Nurse Planner, 2014-2015 will quickly become your lifeline with its wealth of organizational tools, clinical information, and helpful nursing school guidance all within one compact and versatile resource. Designed specifically for busy nursing students like you, this planner's strategies for time management and stress-reduction, NCLEX Exam review questions and study tips, and abundance of helpful clinical tools can significantly relieve the common aches and pains of nursing school and help you perform to your fullest potential both inside the classroom and throughout clinical practice. "...so much included in such a small space and is really handy as an all in one quick reference guide, diary and planner." Reviewed by Jade Day on behalf of Nursing Times, September 2015 Updated information on common therapeutic diets includes

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gluten- and lactose-free, high-fiber, and the DASH Eating Plan. FOUR Score Neurological Assessment Scale guides you in assessing a patient's level of consciousness. Time-saving, compact design provides a clean and efficient layout that is easy to take to bring along to class and clinical rotations. Time management strategies help you perform to your fullest potential. Advice on study skills and stress reduction techniques improve your focus and increase efficiency — giving you the edge you need to succeed. Alternate-format questions (explanation and examples) and information on taking the NCLEX exam help prepare you for the licensure exam. Getting the Most from the Clinical Experience chapter educates you on patient safety, communication with patients and colleagues, and documentation. The Joint Commission's "Do Not Use" List of dangerous abbreviations, acronyms, and symbols appears inside the front cover. Clinical Quick Reference chapter provides you with essential clinical tools and information in a concise, accessible format, and includes: Commonly used abbreviations, symbols, and notations Perioperative care and Joint Commission safety guidelines for surgery Fall risk factors and assessment Most commonly used IV fluids table HIPAA requirements for confidentiality Safety guidelines to prevent medication errors Pain assessment tools Signs of geriatric and pediatric abuse Glasgow Coma Scale Tips for troubleshooting

IV pumps Braden Scale for Predicting Pressure Sore Risk Common lab test values MyPlate dietary guidelines

Deciding on a career path is difficult for many people. Deciding of the best university, of an interesting and challenging subspecialty, of where to get established, are just a few of the vast challenges you will face in preparing for a successful medical career. Whether you are a medical student, a resident, a family practitioner or a specialist, this book is an essential guide for many if not every facet of your medical career. It is a valuable resource because it covers a wide variety of topics such as choosing a medical school, a residency training program, a type of practice, establishing your practice, surrounding yourself with experts (accountants, financial advisors, banker and others), understanding the realities, challenges and up-coming changes in medical practice, preparing for retirement and retiring. Browse to the book as often as you want to refresh your memory, to look at a specific subject.

Patient Safety and Healthcare Improvement at a Glance isa timely and thorough overview of healthcare quality writtenspecifically for students and junior doctors and healthcareprofessionals. It bridges the gap between the practical and thetheoretical to ensure the safety and wellbeing of patients.Featuring essential step-by-step guides to interpreting

and managing risk, quality improvement within clinical specialties, and practice development, this highly visual textbook offers the best preparation for the increased emphasis on patient safety and quality-driven focus in today's healthcare environment.

Healthcare Improvement and Safety at a Glance: • Maps out and follows the World Health Organization Patient Safety curriculum • Draws upon the quality improvement work of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement This practical guide, covering a vital topic of increasing importance in healthcare, provides the first genuine introduction to patient safety and quality improvement grounded in clinical practice.

Mosby's Pocket Guide to Nursing Skills and Procedures - E-Book Elsevier Health Sciences
Sickle cell disease can be severe and disabling. When properly treated, patients live longer and with better quality life. This is a US government publication intended to provide evidence-based guidelines for the care of these patients for the use of all concerned providers as well as patients and family members. This book is available in print here for convenience. It is also available as a free download at <http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-pro/guidelines/sickle-cell-disease-guidelines/>

The success of any business relies heavily on the evaluation and improvement on current strategies and processes. Such progress can be facilitated by

implementing more effective decision-making systems. *Tools and Techniques for Economic Decision Analysis* provides a thorough overview of decision models and methodologies in the context of business economics. Highlighting a variety of relevant issues on finance, economic policy, and firms and networks, this book is an ideal reference source for managers, professionals, students, and academics interested in emerging developments for decision analysis.

The book focuses on the introduction of the basic concepts, processes, and tools used in Lean Six Sigma. A unique feature is the detailed discussion on Design for Six Sigma aided by computer modeling and simulation. The authors present several sample projects in which Lean Six Sigma and Design for Six Sigma were used to solve engineering problems or improve processes based on their own research and development experiences in engineering design and analysis. This book is intended to be a textbook for advanced undergraduate students, graduate students in engineering, and mid-career engineering professionals. It can also be a reference book, or be used to prepare for the Six Sigma Green Belt and Black Belt certifications by organizations such as American Society for Quality.

To support the broadening spectrum of project delivery approaches, PMI is offering *A Guide to the*

Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) – Sixth Edition as a bundle with its latest, the Agile Practice Guide. The PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition now contains detailed information about agile; while the Agile Practice Guide, created in partnership with Agile Alliance®, serves as a bridge to connect waterfall and agile. Together they are a powerful tool for project managers. The PMBOK® Guide – Sixth Edition – PMI's flagship publication has been updated to reflect the latest good practices in project management. New to the Sixth Edition, each knowledge area will contain a section entitled Approaches for Agile, Iterative and Adaptive Environments, describing how these practices integrate in project settings. It will also contain more emphasis on strategic and business knowledge—including discussion of project management business documents—and information on the PMI Talent Triangle™ and the essential skills for success in today's market. Agile Practice Guide has been developed as a resource to understand, evaluate, and use agile and hybrid agile approaches. This practice guide provides guidance on when, where, and how to apply agile approaches and provides practical tools for practitioners and organizations wanting to increase agility. This practice guide is aligned with other PMI standards, including A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide) – Sixth Edition, and

was developed as the result of collaboration between the Project Management Institute and the Agile Alliance.

This book presents the integration of new tools, the modification of existing tools, and the combination of different tools and approaches to create new technical resources for assisting the innovation process. It describes the efforts deployed for assisting the transformation of Product-Services Systems and explains the main key success factors or drivers for success of each tool or approach applied to solve an innovation problems. The book presents a set of case studies to illustrate the application of several tools and approaches, mainly in developing countries.

Written for the graduate-level nutrition course, *Nutrition Assessment: Clinical and Research Applications* explores the purpose, methods, and scientific basis for nutritional assessment in community, clinical, and individual nutrition settings. It provides students with the basic knowledge and skills to identify nutrition problems, develop research questions and study hypotheses, and plan nutrition interventions and treatments.

Respiratory conditions are a leading cause of death and disability and account for a massive proportion of hospital admissions. This comprehensive text provides a detailed overview and discussion of respiratory care, with chapters on assessment,

investigations, treatments and a wide range of conditions, as well as anatomy and physiology. Taking an inter-professional and patient-focused approach, Respiratory Care is evidence-based and linked to key practice guidelines to enable postgraduate students and professionals to provide the most effective care. Each chapter includes learning outcomes and makes use of case studies to provide an explicit and practical application of the topic to patient care. Respiratory Care is essential reading for all nurses and healthcare professionals in respiratory care in hospital or community settings. Vanessa Gibson is a Teaching Fellow, and Learning and Teaching Lead at the Department of Healthcare at Northumbria University, UK. David Waters is Head of Academic Department, Faculty of Society and Health, Buckinghamshire New University, UK. A report on recommended clinical preventive services that should be provided to patients in the course of routine clinical care, including screening for vascular, neoplastic and infectious diseases, and metabolic, hematologic, ophthalmologic and ontologic, prenatal, and musculoskeletal disorders. Also, mental disorders and substance abuse, counseling, and immunizations/chemoprophylaxis. Tables.

Part of the six-volume reference set Wellbeing: A Complete Reference Guide, this volume is a comprehensive look at wellbeing in the workplace at

organizational, managerial, and individual levels. Discusses the implications of theory and practice in the field of workplace wellbeing Incorporates not only coverage of workplace stress in relation to wellbeing, but also aspects of positive psychology Explores the role of governments in promoting work place well being Part of the six-volume set Wellbeing: A Complete Reference Guide, which brings together leading research on wellbeing from across the social sciences Topics include work-life balance; coping strategies and characters of individuals; characteristics of workplaces and organizational strategies that are conducive to wellbeing; and many more

The Desk Reference to the Diagnostic Criteria From DSM-5® is a concise, affordable companion to the ultimate psychiatric reference, DSM-5®. It includes the fully revised diagnostic classification, as well as all of the diagnostic criteria from DSM-5® in an easy-to-use paperback format. This handy reference provides quick access to the information essential to making a diagnosis. Designed to supplement DSM-5®, this convenient guide will assist all mental health professionals as they integrate the DSM-5® diagnostic criteria into their diagnoses. The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders stands alone as the most authoritative reference available for clinical practice in the mental health field, and the structural and diagnostic

changes in the fifth edition are "must-know" material for every clinician. The Desk Reference to the Diagnostic Criteria From DSM-5® distills the most crucial, updated diagnostic information from this volume to provide clinicians with an invaluable resource for effectively diagnosing mental disorders, ranging from the most prevalent to the least common.

Part of the six-volume Wellbeing: A Complete Reference Guide, this volume examines the ways in which the built environment can affect and enhance the wellbeing of society. Explores the effects of environment on wellbeing and provides insight and guidance for designing, creating, or providing environments that improve wellbeing Looks at the social and health issues surrounding sustainable energy and sustainable communities, and how those connect to concepts of wellbeing Brings the evidence base for environmental wellbeing into one volume from across disciplines including urban planning, psychology, sociology, healthcare, architecture, and more Part of the six-volume set Wellbeing: A Complete Reference Guide, which brings together leading research on wellbeing from across the social sciences

This guidebook provides research professionals with a deeper understanding of strategic planning, financial management, and regulatory implementation. This book demonstrates a strategy for managing your portfolio of clinical

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trials, provides tactics and real-world examples, and helps the reader adapt them to their own research site.

The Second Edition of *An Applied Guide to Research Designs* offers researchers in the social and behavioral sciences guidance for selecting the most appropriate research design to apply in their study. Using consistent terminology, the authors visually present a range of research designs used in quantitative, qualitative, and mixed methods to help readers conceptualize, construct, test, and problem solve in their investigation. The Second Edition features revamped and expanded coverage of research designs, new real-world examples and references, a new chapter on action research, and updated ancillaries.

This text will act as a quick quality improvement reference and resource for every role within the healthcare system including physicians, nurses, support staff, security, fellows, residents, therapists, managers, directors, chiefs, and board members. It aims to provide a broad overview of quality improvement concepts and how they can be immediately pertinent to one's role. The editors have used a tiered approach, outlining what each role needs to lead a QI project, participate as a team member, set goals and identify resources to drive improvements in care delivery. Each section of the book targets a specific group within the healthcare organization. *Pocket Guide to Quality Improvement in Healthcare* will guide the individual, as well as the organization to fully engage all staff in QI, creating a safety culture, and ultimately strengthening care delivery. *The Clinical Pocket Guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing* is a companion guide to *Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing*, the first text devoted to advanced practice nursing care of the seriously ill and dying. Each chapter of this pocket guide presents point-of-care guidance on palliative care issues for quick reference in daily practice. Edited by leaders

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in the field, this handbook provides consistency in the nursing process from assessment to management and evaluation of symptoms and various clinical situations. The Clinical Pocket Guide to Advanced Practice Palliative Nursing contains clinical pearls developed from the textbook and practical tools on pain and symptom assessment, functional status, and communication, making it an ideal resource for practicing APNs. management and evaluation of symptoms and various clinical situations.

Vital tools for implementing Lean Six Sigma--what they are, how they work, and which to use The Lean Six Sigma Pocket Toolbook is today's most complete and results-based reference to the tools and concepts needed to understand, implement, and leverage Lean Six Sigma. The only guide that groups tools by purpose and use, this hands-on reference provides: Analyses of nearly 100 tools and methodologies--from DMAIC and Pull Systems to Control Charts and Pareto Charts Detailed explanations of each tool to help you know how, when, and why to use it for maximum efficacy Sections for each tool explaining how to create it, how to interpret what you find, and expert tips Lean Six Sigma is today's leading technique to maximize production efficiency and maintain control over each step in the managerial process. With The Lean Six Sigma Pocket Toolbook, you'll discover how to propel your organization to new levels of competitive success--one tool at a time. Fast-track medical settings call for "at-your-fingertips" information. Here is an easy-to-use, quick-reference guide for nurse practitioners and other health care providers in emergency, medical, screening, fast track, and/or primary care settings with family patients. In a concise, optimally organized format that includes current, evidence-based guidelines, the resource delivers a wealth of information for assessment and management of the most commonly

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encountered problems in these settings. Concise yet packed with crucial knowledge, The Pocket NP is arranged in a logical head-to-toe format that includes the history and physical examination and essential medical decision-making considerations. The material is organized in a true rapid access format, with salient information presented for maximum efficiency and speed of retrieval. A variety of templates for dictation/documentation are provided to assist the clinician with the development of a concise and logical patient record. These templates can be mixed and matched as needed and, using a specific template for focused patient problems (e.g., knee pain), will facilitate assessment fine tuning. Also included are frequently used illustrations for anatomical records as well as templates to assist in identification of normal and abnormal presentations. Additional helpful features include “Tips” and “Don’t Miss” boxes with bullet points of critical information, a rapid “review of systems,” billing information, and a dedicated page for NP “Survival Information” and notes. Key Features: Provides ultra-quick access to patient treatment information Offers easy-to-use framework for quickly locating critical information Presents templates for identifying normal and abnormal presentations Contains a rapid “review of systems” Delivers content in head-to-toe format Includes “Tips” and “Don’t Miss” boxes with bullet points of critical information Much more than just a study calendar, Saunders Student Nurse Planner, 2013-2014 will quickly become your lifeline with its wealth of organizational tools, clinical information, and helpful nursing school guidance all within one compact and versatile resource. Designed specifically for busy nursing students like you, this planner's strategies for time management and stress-reduction, NCLEX Exam review questions and study tips, and abundance of helpful clinical tools can significantly relieve the common aches and pains of

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nursing school and help you perform to your fullest potential both inside the classroom and throughout clinical practice. Unlike other pocket guides, this guide is designed specifically to address topics that the author has found to cause problems, issues, and concerns for most Black Belts over the years. As such, its primary purpose is to serve as a useful reference guide for the Black Belt throughout his or her busy day, and particularly in meetings. Though not intended to be a tool guide like other pocket guides or a preparation guide for the ASQ certifications, it will nonetheless serve as a useful reference guide for both the ASQ Black Belt and Master Black Belt certification examinations. Black belts will enjoy reading this pocket guide and find it invaluable in their daily work.

This book takes the position that organizations, such as businesses and government agencies, form a special class of living system. As such, they come into being, live through lifecycle stages, and can experience organizational health and various forms of organizational illness along the way. If the latter is frequent or extended, such organizations often die an untimely death. A services perspective can go a long way to combat this outcome and assist in maintaining organizational health. Allowing this perspective to permeate, an organization induces a consideration of its genuine value and leads to a greater understanding of the breadth of stakeholders who are the beneficiaries of it.

Fast moving, to the point, and rooted in first-hand executive experiences, this book is for people of vision and action, and for creating the conditions required for growth, innovation, and increased competitive advantage. Finance Unleashed is based on a series of

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interactive interviews with a diverse group of global influencers and executives, all of which will challenge readers to think laterally and find inspiration in the new role of finance. Cases and interviewees represent organizations such as UPS and DHL, and the London School of Economics, and approaches such as Lean Six Sigma, innovation, customer-centricity, the financial supply chain, and behavioral procurement. The authors' goal is to serve as a catalyst for leaders who are positioned to make meaningful changes today. The book includes a practical model to help executive teams redesign and refocus finance to drive business leadership - with an emphasis on the CFO. The model has three primary components: 1) Customer-Centricity - Listen and Map; 2) Process - Structure and Technology; and 3) Innovation - Create and Measure. These are presented as phases that each executive team will need to consider based on the goals and maturity level of their organization. For the CFO and ambitious finance executives, *Finance Unleashed* presents a path forward towards success and career advancement. For the CEO and the board, it presents an expanded vision for what financial organizations are capable of.

"Organized by the five Core Values contained within the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) and the American Nurses Association (ANA) *Holistic Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice, Second Edition*: * Core Value 1: Holistic Philosophy, Theories, and Ethics * Core Value 2: Holistic Caring Process * Core Value 3: Holistic Communication, Therapeutic Environment, and Cultural Diversity * Core Value 4: Holistic Education and

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Research * Core Value 5: Holistic Nurse Self-Reflection and Self-Care Holistic Nursing: A Handbook for Practice, Seventh Edition has been awarded the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) Seal of Distinction. This newly developed Seal of Distinction indicates that the book is aligned with AHNA's mission, vision, and Holistic Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice, Second Edition; is of interest to holistic nurses and of significant value to the nursing profession; provides knowledge that advances holistic nursing; is timely and relevant; is consistent with relevant historical publications; is scientifically and technically accurate; and is authored by individuals with demonstrated expertise in the field of the work submitted"--Provided by publisher.

A new series of bespoke, full-coverage resources developed for the 2015 A Level English qualifications. Endorsed for the AQA A/AS Level English Language specifications for first teaching from 2015, this print Student Book is suitable for all abilities, providing stretch opportunities for the more able and additional scaffolding for those who need it. Helping bridge the gap between GCSE and A Level, the unique three-part structure provides essential knowledge and allows students to develop their skills through a deeper study of key topics, whilst encouraging independent learning. An enhanced digital version and free Teacher's Resource are also available.

Mosby's Pocket Guide to Nursing Skills & Procedures, 9th Edition, is a concise, pocket-sized study tool and clinical reference based on the best-selling textbook Clinical Nursing Skills & Techniques, 9th Edition! This

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spiral-bound presents 85 key nursing skills in a convenient, A-to-Z format. Step-by-step instructions include full-color photos plus rationales explaining why and how to use specific techniques to help you troubleshoot potential problems and take appropriate actions to address them. With the latest in evidence-based practice this essential guide is a great tool to help you safely and effectively perform core nursing skills. Clear, two-column format shows you how to perform skills, with rationales for each step explaining the reason behind the practice and the benefit to patients.

Alphabetical organization of skills makes it easy to find information quickly, with each skill beginning on a new page. A convenient pocket size and spiral binding allow the book to fit easily into your coat pocket and to stay open on the page you want. Safety alerts highlight important information for patient safety and effective performance of skills. Special Considerations address teaching, the home care setting, and care modifications for pediatric and geriatric patients. Documentation guidelines include a bulleted list of what should be reported and recorded in the patient records.

Unexpected outcomes and related interventions help you to troubleshoot potential problems and take appropriate actions to address them. NEW! Additional nursing skills cover Obtaining a 12-lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) and Applying a Cardiac Monitor to address these vital elements of cardiac care. NEW! Up-to-date content is based on the most recent edition of Perry & Potter's Clinical Nursing Skills & Techniques, the bestselling nursing skills text.

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Technology failures, data loss, issues with providers of outsourced services, misconduct and mis-selling are just some of the top risks that keep financial firms up at night. In this context effective operational risk management is, simply, a commercial necessity. The management of operational risk, defined by the Basel Accord as arising from failures of processes, people, systems or external events, has developed considerably since its early years. Continued regulatory focus and catastrophic industry events have led to operational risk becoming a crucial topic on senior management's agenda. This book is a practical guide for practitioners which focuses on how to establish effective solutions and avoid common pitfalls. Filled with frameworks, examples and diagrams, this book offers clear advice on key practices including conducting risk assessments, assessing change initiatives, designing key risk indicators, establishing scenario analysis, drafting appetite statements and carrying out risk reporting. *Operational Risk Management in Financial Services* also features results from polls taken by risk practitioners which provide a snapshot of current practices and allow the reader to benchmark themselves against other firms. This is the essential guide for professionals looking to derive value out of operational risk management, rather than applying a compliance 'tick box' approach.

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The Pocket Guide to Mycological Diagnosis provides useful and concise information for microbiologists and professionals diagnosing the most medically relevant fungal species. Cellular and molecular techniques, immunological methods, and more accurate microscopy equipment available in most mycology laboratories now make diagnosis more routine. Furthermore, information regarding medical mycology, including identification of specific fungal pathogens, is widely available. This book helps mycologists address the emerging challenges of diagnosis.

Key Features

- Succinct summary of fungal disease diagnosis
- Includes opportunistic fungal infections that can afflict immunocompromised patients
- Permits the identification of common fungal pathogens
- Reviews antifungal drugs

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Rai, eds. *Medical Mycology: Current Trends and Future Prospects* (ISBN 978-1-4987-1421-1)

Lean Manufacturing, also called lean production, was originally created in Toyota after the Second World War, in the reconstruction period. It is based on the idea of eliminating any waste in the industry, i.e. any activity or task that does not add value and requires resources. It is considered in every level of the industry, e.g. design, manufacturing, distribution, and customer service. The main wastes are: over-production against plan; waiting time of operators and machines; unnecessary transportation; waste in the process itself; excess stock of material and components; non value-adding motion; defects in quality. The diversity of these issues will be covered from algorithms, mathematical models, and software engineering by design methodologies and technical or practical solutions. This book intends to provide the reader with a comprehensive overview of the current state, cases studies, hardware and software solutions, analytics, and data science in dependability engineering.

All organizations experience unintended variation and its consequences. Such problems exist within a broad range of scope, persistence, and severity across different industries. Some problems cause minor nuisances, others leads to loss of customers or money, others yet can be a matter of life and death. The purpose of this pocket guide is to provide you with easily accessible knowledge about the art of problem solving, with a specific focus on identifying and eliminating root causes of problems. Root cause analysis is a skill that absolutely everybody should master, irrespective of which sector you work in, what educational background you have, and which position in the organization you hold. The content in this little pocket guide can contribute to disseminating this

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Competitive advantage is a key factor to the success of any business in modern society. To achieve this goal, effective strategies for process improvement must be researched and implemented into an organization. The Handbook of Research on Managerial Strategies for Achieving Optimal Performance in Industrial Processes examines optimization techniques for improved business operations and procedures in the industrial sector. Highlighting management techniques, innovative approaches, and technological tools, this publication is an essential reference source for professionals, researchers, consultants, upper-level students, and academicians interested in the advancement of knowledge in industrial communities.

The book outlines selected projects conducted under the supervision of the author. Moreover, it discusses significant relations between Interactive Granular Computing (IGrC) and numerous dynamically developing scientific domains worldwide, along with features characteristic of the author's approach to IGrC. The results presented are a continuation and elaboration of various aspects of Wisdom Technology, initiated and developed in cooperation with Professor Andrzej Skowron. Based on the empirical findings from these projects, the author explores the following areas: (a) understanding the causes of the theory and practice gap problem (TPGP) in complex systems engineering (CSE); (b) generalizing computing models of complex adaptive systems (CAS) (in particular, natural computing models) by constructing an interactive granular computing (IGrC) model of networks of interrelated interacting complex granules (c-granules), belonging to a single agent and/or to a group of agents; (c) developing methodologies based on the IGrC model to

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minimize the negative consequences of the TPGP. The book introduces approaches to the above issues, using the proposed IGrC model. In particular, the IGrC model refers to the key mechanisms used to control the processes related to the implementation of CSE projects. One of the main aims was to develop a mechanism of IGrC control over computations that model a project's implementation processes to maximize the chances of its success, while at the same time minimizing the emerging risks. In this regard, the IGrC control is usually performed by means of properly selected and enforced (among project participants) project principles. These principles constitute examples of c-granules, expressed by complex vague concepts (represented by c-granules too). The c-granules evolve with time (in particular, the meaning of the concepts is also subject of change). This methodology is illustrated using project principles applied by the author during the implementation of the POLTAX, AlgoTradix, Merix, and Excavio projects outlined in the book.

Using a unique collaborative care approach to adult health nursing, *Medical-Surgical Nursing: Patient-Centered Collaborative Care*, 8th Edition covers the essential knowledge you need to succeed at the RN level of practice. Easy-to-read content includes evidence-based treatment guidelines, an enhanced focus on QSEN competencies, and an emphasis on developing clinical judgment skills. This edition continues the book's trendsetting tradition with increased LGBTQ content and a new Care of Transgender Patients chapter. Written by nursing education experts Donna Ignatavicius and M. Linda Workman, this bestselling text also features NCLEX® Exam-style challenge questions to prepare you for success on the NCLEX Exam. Cutting-edge coverage of the latest trends in nursing practice and nursing education prepares you not just for today's nursing practice but also for

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tomorrow's. UNIQUE! Collaborative care approach organizes all medical, surgical, nursing, and other interventions within the framework of the nursing process, mirroring the nurse's role in the coordination/management of care in the real world of medical-surgical nursing. UNIQUE! A focus on nursing concepts relates concepts learned in Nursing Fundamentals with the disorders you will study in Medical-Surgical Nursing. Easy to read, direct-address writing style makes this one of the most readable medical-surgical nursing textbooks available. UNIQUE! A focus on QSEN emphasizes patient safety and evidence-based practice with Nursing Safety Priority boxes including Drug Alerts, Critical Rescues, and Action Alerts. UNIQUE! Emphasis on clinical judgment teaches you to develop skills in clinical reasoning and clinical decision-making when applying concepts to clinical situations, with Clinical Judgment Challenge questions throughout the chapters. An emphasis on prioritization stresses the most important patient problems and nursing interventions, with patient problems presented in a single prioritized list of nursing diagnoses and collaborative problems. UNIQUE! NCLEX preparation tools include chapter-opening Learning Outcomes and chapter-ending Get Ready for the NCLEX Examination! sections organized by NCLEX® Client Needs Categories, plus NCLEX Examination Challenge questions, with an answer key in the back of the book and on the Evolve companion website. Practical learning aids include NCLEX Examination Challenges, Clinical Judgment Challenges, Best Practice for Patient Safety & Quality Care charts, common examples of drug therapy, concept maps, laboratory profiles, and more. A clear alignment with the language of clinical practice reflects the real world of nursing practice with NANDA diagnostic labels where they make sense, and non-NANDA diagnostic labels when these are more common descriptions of patient problems. Student Resources on an

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Evolve companion website help you prepare for class, clinicals, or lab with video and audio clips, animations, case studies, a concept map creator, NCLEX exam-style review questions, and more. UNIQUE! Concentration on essential knowledge for the RN level of medical-surgical nursing practice focuses your attention on need-to-know content to pass the NCLEX Examination and practice safety as a beginning nurse.

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