This book introduces the entry-level nursing student to the scope of nursing practice, various communication techniques, and caring for diverse patients. The nursing process is used as a framework for providing patient care based on the following nursing concepts: safety, oxygenation, comfort, spiritual well-being, grief and loss, sleep and rest, mobility, nutrition, fluid and electrolyte imbalance, and elimination. Care for patients with integumentary disorders and cognitive or sensory impairments is also discussed. Learning activities have been incorporated into each chapter to encourage students to use critical thinking while applying content to patient care situations.
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2: Communication

3: Diverse Patients

4: Nursing Process
5: Safety

6: Cognitive Impairments

7: Sensory Impairments

8: Oxygenation
9: Infection

10: Integumentary

11: Comfort

12: Sleep and Rest
13: Mobility

14: Nutrition

15: Fluids and Electrolytes

16: Elimination
17: Grief and Loss

18: Spirituality

19: Care of the Older Adult

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