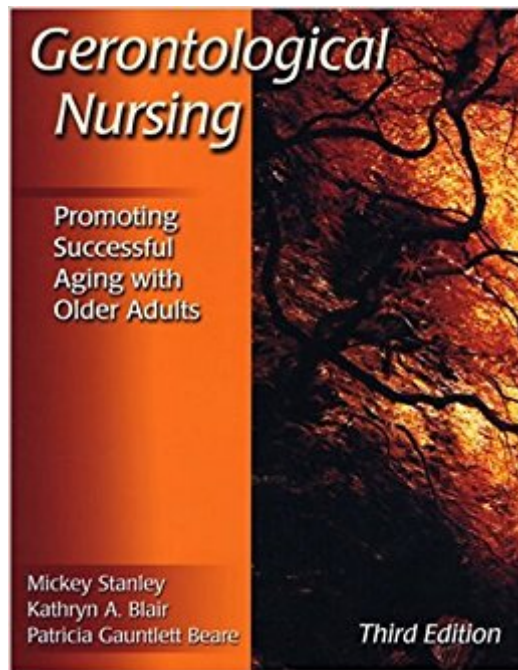




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This book is edited by nursing professors from Southern Illinois University, University of Northern Colorado, and Louisiana State University Medical Center respectively. There are four contributors to the third edition in addition to the 44 from previous editions. There are six sections and 35 chapters. Section 1 Introduction to Health Promotion and Protection in the Care of Older Adults contains the following chapters: 1. Promoting Health through Public Policy and Standards of Care, 2. Theories of Aging, 3. Mental Health Wellness, 4. Cultural Dimensions, 5. Legal Issues Affecting Older Adults, 6. Ethical Issues, 7. Health Teaching and Compliance, 8. Pharmacology and Older Adults, and 9. Settings of Care. Section 2 Health Protection from a Body Systems Approach contains chapters about 10. Normal Aging and Physical Assessment and the following aging systems 11. sensory, 12. integumentary, 13. musculoskeletal, 14. neurological, 15. cardiovascular, 16. pulmonary, 17. endocrine, 18. genitourinary, and 19. gastrointestinal and nutrition. Section 3 Multisystem Alterations contains five chapters: 20. Immobility and Activity Intolerance in older Adults, 21. Assessment and Prevention of Falls, 22. Pain Management in older Adults, 23. Cancer in Older Adults, 24. HIV in Older Adults. Section 4 Individual and Family Psychodynamics includes: 25. Developmental Tasks and Development in Later Years of Life, 26. Family Dynamics, 27. Elder Mistreatment, 28. Depression, Alcoholism, and Suicide, 29. Spirituality in Older Adults, 30. Sexuality in Older Adults, and 31. End-of-Life and Palliative Care. Section 5 Alterations in Mental Processing contains: 32. Sleep Disturbances, 33. Acute Confusion, and 34. Dementia in Older Adults. Section 6 is the Epilogue, 35. The Future of Gerontological Nursing. The book ends with an index. Each chapter starts with objectives and ends with student learning activities and references that may cover several decades. Many chapters contain cases, research briefs, and summaries. Chapters include boxes about standards, risk factors, questions for system histories, screening tools, nursing interventions, techniques, teaching guides, resources, etc. Tables include attitudes of African-Americans, Appalachians, Chinese-Americans, Korean-Americans, Mexican-Americans, Native-Americans, Vietnamese-Americans; age related changes in systems, pathophysiology, assessments, nursing care plans including expected outcomes and nursing actions, etc. Some chapters also have figures. This 8 1/2 by 11 inch 387 page book is packed with valuable information for working with older adults.

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