Book Review

Care of Critical Newborn, Dr. J.N. Sharma, PeePee Publishers and Distributors (P) Ltd., New Delhi, First Edition 2007, Pages 407, Price: Rs. 150/-.

The Manual of Care of Critical Newborn edited by Dr. J.N. Sharma, a pocket sized manual is easy to read, quick refer to and is a comprehensive compilation of some important chapters of newborn care for basic doctors, practicing pediatricians and neonatologists who look after newborns even at the peripheral level. This short and precise manual covers a wide range of subjects and how to approach, investigate and manage the neonatal problems in a very simple and lucid style.

There has been a consistent and strong effort to provide well researched nomograms as well as standard practice guidelines for most diseased states in newborns. The flow of language is smooth and easy to understand and comprehend. The proof reading has been meticulous as there are no major typographical errors. This manual shall be of great help to residents as well. The practical procedures given shall also be helpful to nursing staff as well. It also includes a chapter on drugs commonly used in newborns.

Overall the manual should be an easy and reliable reference book for every pediatrician and persons involved with care of newborn. The manual is highly recommended for its simplicity yet rich contents.

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