Clinical Skills and Assisting Techniques for the Medical Assistant

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Clinical Skills and Assisting Techniques for the Medical Assistant is a comprehensive textbook for those pursuing the knowledge and skills required for a career in medical assisting. The text is divided into 16 units with appendixes. It includes units on physical measurements, asepsis and infection control, collection and handling of specimens, irrigations of the eye and ear, pharmacology, laboratory procedures, radiology, physical therapy, electrocardiography, and emergencies and first aid. It also includes appendixes that discuss special vocabulary, medical terminology, and the patient’s Bill of Rights.

Each unit includes both cognitive and performance objectives. The skills are listed in sequence with the procedure and the rationale for each procedure. The information provided for the prospective medical assistant in the text prepares the student for instructing the patient about the procedure to be performed. The text stresses quality patient care. Illustrations including both pictures and graphics are included to assist the student to better understand the information presented. Performance checklists, as well as a vocabulary review and review questions are provided at the end of each unit.

An Instructor’s Manual is also available. It can be used as a guide for instruction and as a resource for testing materials.

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