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The Homemaker - Home Health Aide

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The Homemaker--Home Health Aide, Julie K. Wernig and Sheila A.

Sorrentino. c. v. **Mosby** Company, St. Louis, **Missouri, 1989, 403 pp.**

The Homemaker--Home Health Aide is a comprehensive instructional text for education of homemakers/home health aides. The text, containing 23 chapters, includes discussion of ethics and the law, communication skills, association of the body systems with growth and changes as one ages, client safety and sexuality, and, the more recent health problems of **Alzheimer's** disease, AIDS, and sexually transmitted diseases, along with the expected basic nursing concepts and client needs. Two complimentary manuals are **available**: a student workbook which includes a wide array of testing formats, and an Instructor's Manual with learning activities and test questions.

Strengths of the text include unit objectives, chapter highlights, and key terms at the beginning of each chapter. Also included are excellent pictures, many of which are credited to **Mosby's textbook** for nursing assistants, concise diagrams, inserts of explicit procedures for required skills, and study questions at the end of each chapter. Moreover, the chapter on body functions includes several colored diagrams and a glossary at the end of the text.

The student workbook and the instructor's manual appear to be very useful texts. It would be a valuable addition if transparencies could be included from the excellent diagrams.

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