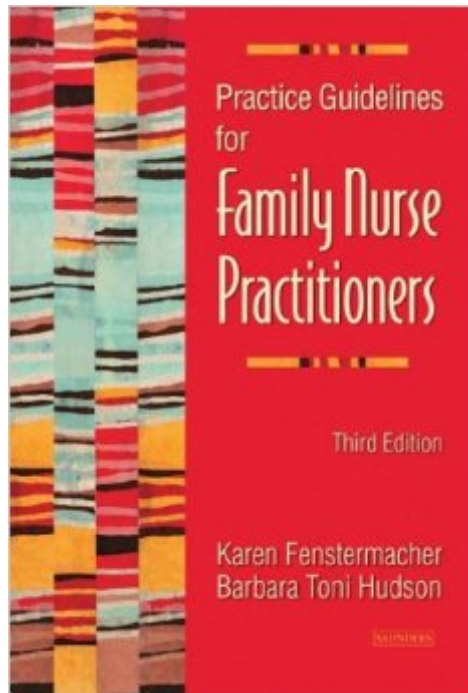


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# Practice Guidelines For Family Nurse Practitioners, 3e



## Synopsis

This portable reference provides thorough and detailed assessment information for all common primary care conditions, including signs and symptoms, diagnostic methods, drug therapies, and treatment. Written by expert nurse practitioners, it features complete, practical, up-to-date information on diagnosing and treating primary care disorders in the family practice setting. Separate sections are devoted to specific populations such as pediatric, adult, and geriatric patients. This reference is well known for its concise guidelines, comparative charts, and tables that list the symptoms, physical assessment findings, and possible diagnoses in a quick-reference format. Numerous tables, outlines, and comparative charts are included for easy reference. Alerts are provided for both physician referral and emergency conditions. Practice Pearls are featured throughout the chapters to demonstrate the material's applicability to practice. Blank pages at the end of each chapter allow readers to make their own notes in the text. Signs and symptoms, diagnostic methods, drug therapies, and treatment options are described for common diseases. Reorganized content reflects a head-to-toe approach to the body systems for easy reference. Content is divided into two units: History and Physical Examination and Common Conditions with all special populations chapters located at the beginning of the book. Material has been added on syncope, chronic pelvic pain, and vulvar disease. A comparison table of Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) lists the available brands/doses. Expanded coverage is provided for emphysema, anemia, hyperlipidemia, migraines, diabetes, breast conditions, HRT and bleeding, menopause, osteoporosis, pain management, and diagnostic criteria for chronic fatigue syndrome. National guidelines are referenced where appropriate, e.g. pneumonia, asthma, STDs, and lipids. New thumb tabs in the design allow users to access content more easily. Updated herbal therapy information is provided. Appendices include new and updated information on Body Mass Index, food sources, peak expiratory flow rates, peak flow monitoring, diabetic foot care, allergen control measures, HSV/HPV symptomatic relief measures, oral contraceptives, pain management guidelines, herbal therapy information, and suggested hospital admission orders. A new appendix includes timely information on biological disease agents. Now includes ICD-9 codes. New insert features 32 color photos of dermatologic conditions for easy identification.

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My copy is used constantly for review. I update in margins since this is a 1997 copy and some changes in management have occurred. It is still a good reference Bible that I use daily.

I wanted to get this book really badly to help me out as an FNP student, and as a great study aid for the boards, but I saw that the newest edition is pretty pricey and I can't afford too much more on books than i've already spent, so I bought the older edition. Very glad I did, all the information is basically the same, and laid out in a really great format! It has everything you need, practice algorithms for things like treating diabetes, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, etc., practice guidelines for acute presentations of illness, formulating differential diagnoses, common labs and diagnostic testing to order such as radiography and other tests, interpretation of these tests and labs and then also algorithms to help you decide when and how to appropriately refer your patients on. I love this book already and it is possibly the best purchase I have made as an FNP student so far!!If you found my review at all helpful to you, it'd be wicked awesome if you'd tap the "yes" button below, thanks so much!

I actually got online to see if there was a newer publication (found only 1997 one at first - hope they correct that) mine is 2004 - this is a very valuable book for me, simple, to the point but great ideas on so many things. I keep it as a tool for my every day practice and write notes in it - patients love it when I show it to them and the "list" of interventions - to make sure we don't miss something. I still have my larger books but they don't make the examroom! This is a wonderful book and a great resource for a quick look. D. Rogers, ARNP

The strength of this book is in its simplicity and that it provides a good review for anatomy / physiology. I used it to review for the FNP exam and found it to be a keeper on my shelf, next to other primary care across the lifespan books.

LOVE this book because it is concise, although it certainly does not provide the level of detail or range of diagnoses that you would find in other sources. LOVE it just the same. Have worn out several editions.

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