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TITLE: Dental nursing the EDNA way: providing relevant knowledge in an accessible form

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An essential revision tool.

This is an up-to-date publication detailing all aspects of dental nursing and patient care from routine procedures to the more specialist techniques used within modern dentistry.

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The book has a clear and comprehensive introduction, with a guide to the most important characteristics required for those who wish to pursue a fulfilling career in dental nursing. It encourages those who are interested in helping and caring for others to become dental nurses and suggests essential qualities to be practical, organised, trustworthy, personable, hygienic, knowledgeable and punctual.

The book focuses on responsibilities throughout and reminds us that high standards of care and the welfare of patients must always be at the forefront of a dental nurse's mind and their best interests put first.

Sections of the book include Communication, Health and Safety detailing COSHH and RIDDOR, Cross Infection Control, Dental Anatomy and Physiology, with Biomedical Sciences, Plaque and Caries, Periodontal Diseases, Radiography, Endodontics, Prosthesis and Extractions and Minor Oral Surgery. The book also takes into account dealing with the nervous patient and sedation techniques, cosmetic dentistry, implants and orthodontics. Mouth cancer and children's dentistry are also covered in detail.

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Clear and concise headings within the book provide essential underpinning knowledge for dental nurses currently in training for their dental nurse qualification, as question and answers are included within each sector, encouraging the reader to evaluate and test their own understanding. In addition the book delivers practical solutions to everyday challenges. The language and tone of the text supports the required level of learning and a clear glossary at the back of the book contributes to their interpretation. Included is a notes section for personal reminders or recordings.

The practical and comprehensible layout of the book with diagrams and pictures makes it an invaluable addition to the workplace and ensures it is suitable for all dental nurses, providing easy access whenever and wherever as an essential revision tool in preparation for qualification examinations or to back-up previously gained knowledge.

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TITLE: Basic guide to oral health education and promotion

AUTHOR: A. Felton, A. Chapman, S. Felton

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Easy to navigate.

The basic guide to oral health education and promotion is specifically written as the course companion for UK dental nurses studying for the NEBDN Certificate in oral health education. However, it would also benefit anyone involved with the health of patients as oral health is central to our general wellbeing. It covers all aspects of oral health enabling educators to confidently pass on relevant information to their patients.

The book is divided into six sections with clearly defined topics. Each section has a brief introduction and detailed learning outcomes which are displayed in easy to read boxes at the start of the section. A useful self-assessment questionnaire completes the topic covered, enabling the reader to consolidate the information they have read. Relevant references are included at the end of each section. The book layout is particularly appealing as blocks of colour are used to display the titles dividing the text into small manageable portions allowing the reader time to grasp each topic swiftly. It is easy to navigate throughout the book as a handy colour coding of topics is included along the binding.

Each of the six sections of the book are divided into broad topics and then

broken down into chapters. The topics include the structure and functions of the oral cavity, which provides an outline of the structures and function of the tissues, teeth, tongue and saliva. A detailed list of dentition eruption dates is provided with diagrams. The second section, diseases and conditions of the oral cavity, includes chapters on chronic gingivitis and periodontitis, common oral diseases, caries, sensitivity and xerostomia. Prevention of oral diseases is comprehensively explored in the third section. Delivering oral health messages, the fourth section, includes chapters on communication, principles of education and planning oral hygiene sessions. The fifth section oral health target groups explores different case studies of patient groups. Finally, oral health and society looks at the wider issues of improving the oral health of the nation.

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There are a few diagrams scattered throughout the book and a selection of excellent photographs are included depicting the various diseases of the oral cavity.

To conclude this book provides a comprehensive review of oral health education and promotion and would prove to be a valuable reference book for all dental practices and an essential handbook for the student oral health educator.

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TITLE: Oral pathology for the dental hygienist with CD-ROM, 5th edition
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A fabulous book.

I was thrilled when I was asked to review this fabulous book. When I was studying dental hygiene at King's Dental School London I had an old third edition copy on my shelf. I found it was an invaluable tool for my studies, and an excellent point of reference on clinic. Unfortunately, if my memory serves me well the pictures were few and far between, but still very interesting and compulsive reading.

This fifth edition confirms the popularity of the text and the authors' desire to produce a valued resource for the dental hygiene student and teacher of oral pathology. The book is full of excellent clinical photographs and photographic radiographs which would help to enhance the teaching experience for any student and assist any teacher to pass on knowledge.

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The quality contrast and density of the radiographs clearly depict abnormalities and pathologies. The text information is presented in a clear manner that is easy to understand and provides appropriate information to the dental hygiene student, and is an invaluable reference guide for the experienced hygienist. The fifth edition includes a variety of learning features to help students achieve the best possible outcomes in both the classroom and clinical setting. It now includes as an added bonus an interactive companion CD for Windows/Mac so you

can perfect your skills and prepare for your dental hygiene exam.

A detailed vocabulary list with definitions and pronunciations is at the beginning of each chapter which will help students learn essential new dental terminology.

Each chapter begins with a list of objectives that provides an overview of what is covered in each chapter, providing the reader with a clear outline of the information they can expect to learn and preparing them for the question section. It also has a very useful brief synopsis table outlining the most critical information in each chapter which will enable students to review all the disorders at a glance and acts as a quick reference for experienced hygienists in a clinical setting.

Review questions at the end of each chapter help students test their knowledge and serve as good practice for revision towards the final exam. At the end of each chapter there is a list of up-to-date references which reflect new research and will provide the student with additional study resources. Throughout the book you will find highlighted words which can be found in the comprehensive glossary at the end of the book to give you short answer definitions.

Inside the back cover there is a CD-ROM containing over 50 case studies which will assist the clinician in applying their knowledge to real-life situations and will also help students master the important critical thinking skills required while working in the clinical setting. It could be considered to be the next best adjunct to hands-on clinical practice and could be a great asset for team projects.

One of the biggest additions to the fifth edition for me is the online Evolve website which includes a wealth of information and additional learning tools.

This colourful textbook with corresponding CD-ROM definitely meets its goal to be an invaluable oral pathology resource for dental hygiene students, practitioners, and to facilitate teaching and learning. It is practical, user-friendly, and comprehensive.

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