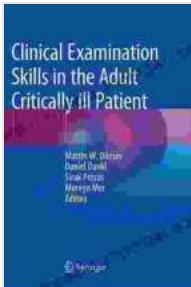


Mastering Clinical Examination Skills in the Adult Critically Ill Patient: A Comprehensive Guide

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Welcome to the definitive guide for healthcare professionals dedicated to mastering the art of clinical examination in the intensive care unit (ICU). 'Clinical Examination Skills in the Adult Critically Ill Patient' provides an unparalleled foundation of knowledge and practical techniques to enable you to confidently assess and manage critically ill patients, ultimately improving their outcomes and elevating critical care practice.

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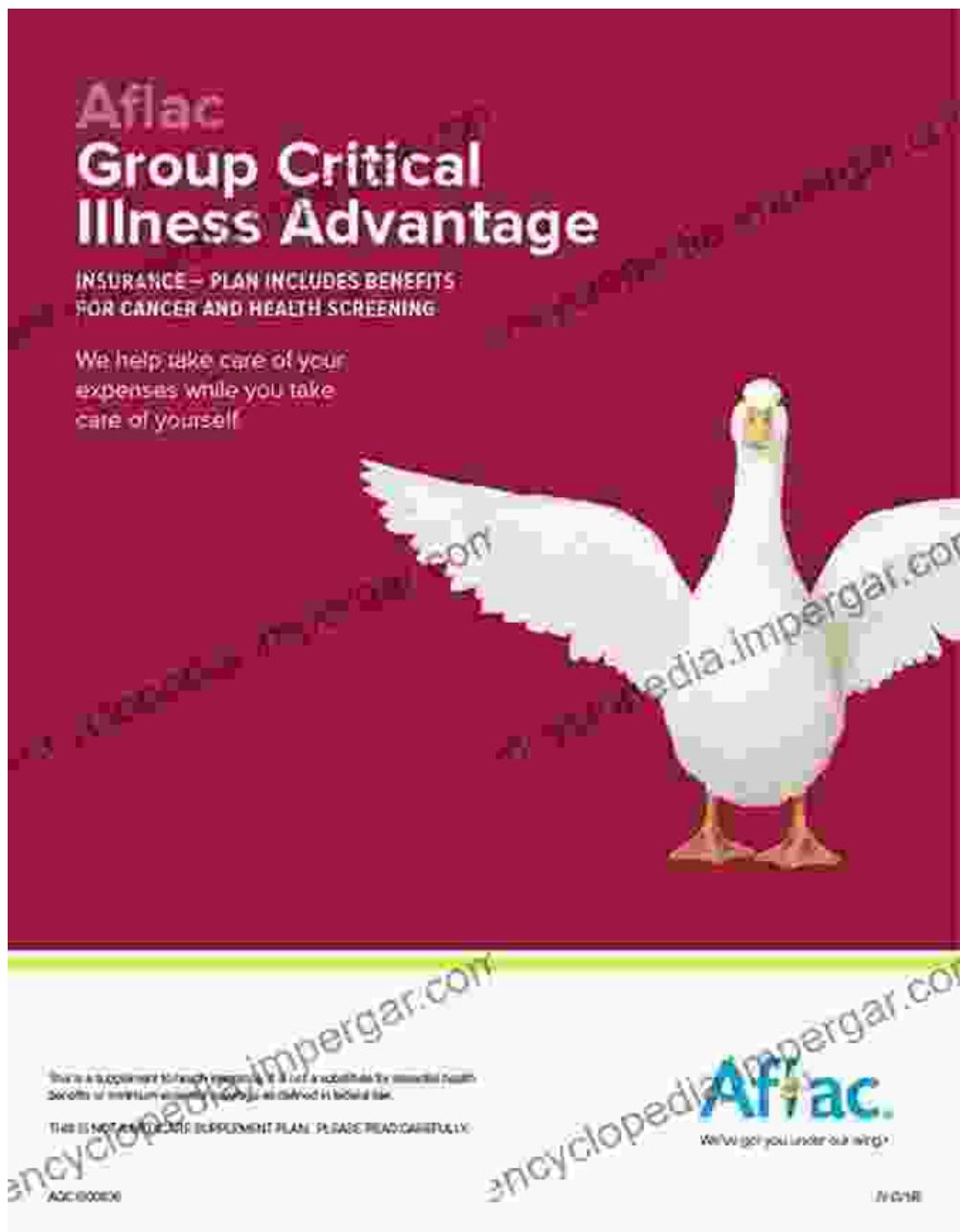
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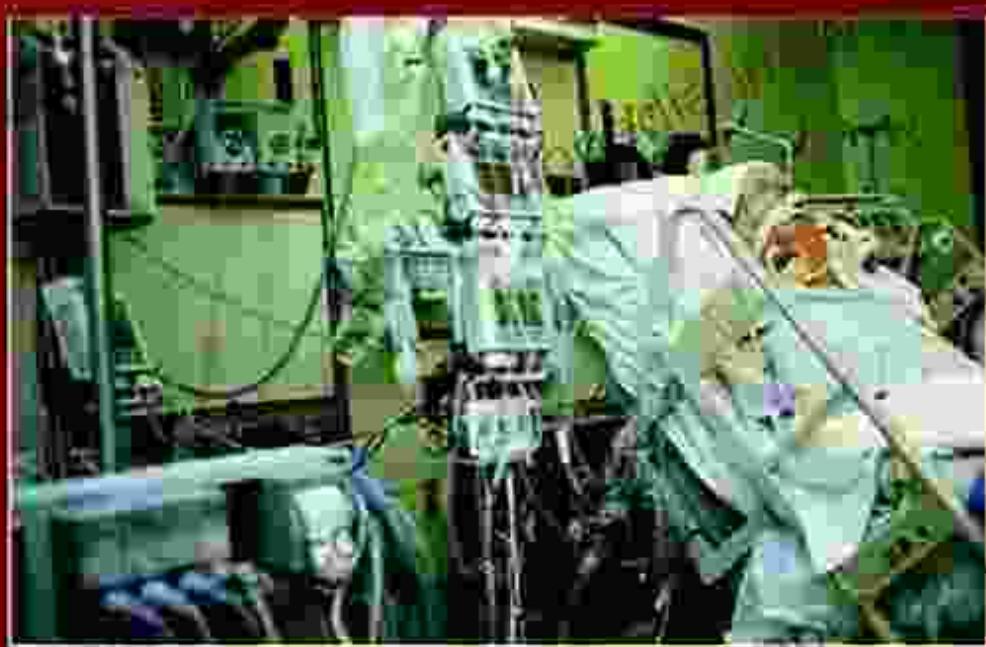
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The Critically Ill Patient



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Master the systematic approach to assessing the critically ill patient, including vital signs monitoring, hemodynamic assessment, and oxygenation evaluation.

Chapter 3: Neurological Examination

Table 47.1 ASPE – the patient's responses

Alert	Eye and verbally responsive/able to simple commands. The patient is oriented to time and place and recalls recent events.
Unconscious	Level of consciousness will be absent, but the patient does not require any direct physical intervention (e.g. airway, breathing, circulation).
Faint	Very slow or very brief loss of consciousness or unconsciousness due to temporary loss of blood supply. May respond briefly to verbal stimuli.
Unconscious	Loss of consciousness for more than 30 seconds, which can be preceded by a period of unconsciousness.

Figure 47.1 Testing for pain



Figure 47.2 Face, arm, speech, time (FAST) test for stroke

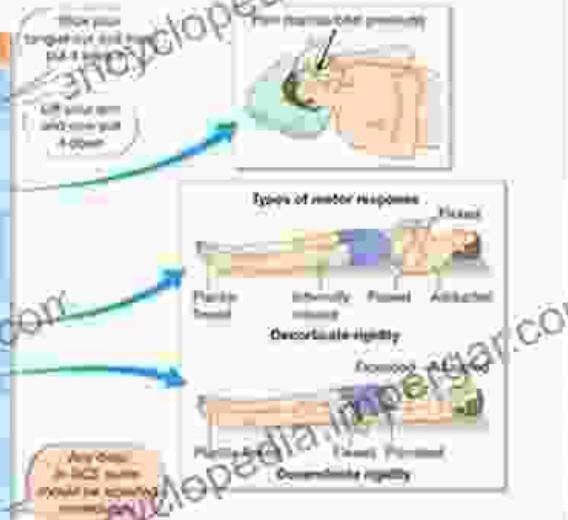


Figure 47.3 Pupil assessment: shape, size, symmetry and reaction



Table 47.2 Clinical reflexes

Synergistic	Wrist Flexion V	Moro response M
1. Abdominal	Abdominal, intercostal, rectus	Abdominal
2. Only in pain	4. Dorsiflexion of toes	5. Unflexed – brings hands to the source of pain and can flex them
3. Olfactory	3. Unflexed toes, dysarthricomatous response	6. Withdrawn to pain, patient holds arms to the source of the pain and can't flex them
4. Skin	7. Gagging	7. Convulsive posture, cannot sit up
5. Eye	8. None	8. Dorsiflexion of toes, cannot sit up
6. Eye	9. None	9. None
7. Eye	10. None	10. None
8. Eye	11. None	11. None
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Delve into the neurological examination, covering mental status assessment, cranial nerve evaluation, and motor and sensory testing.

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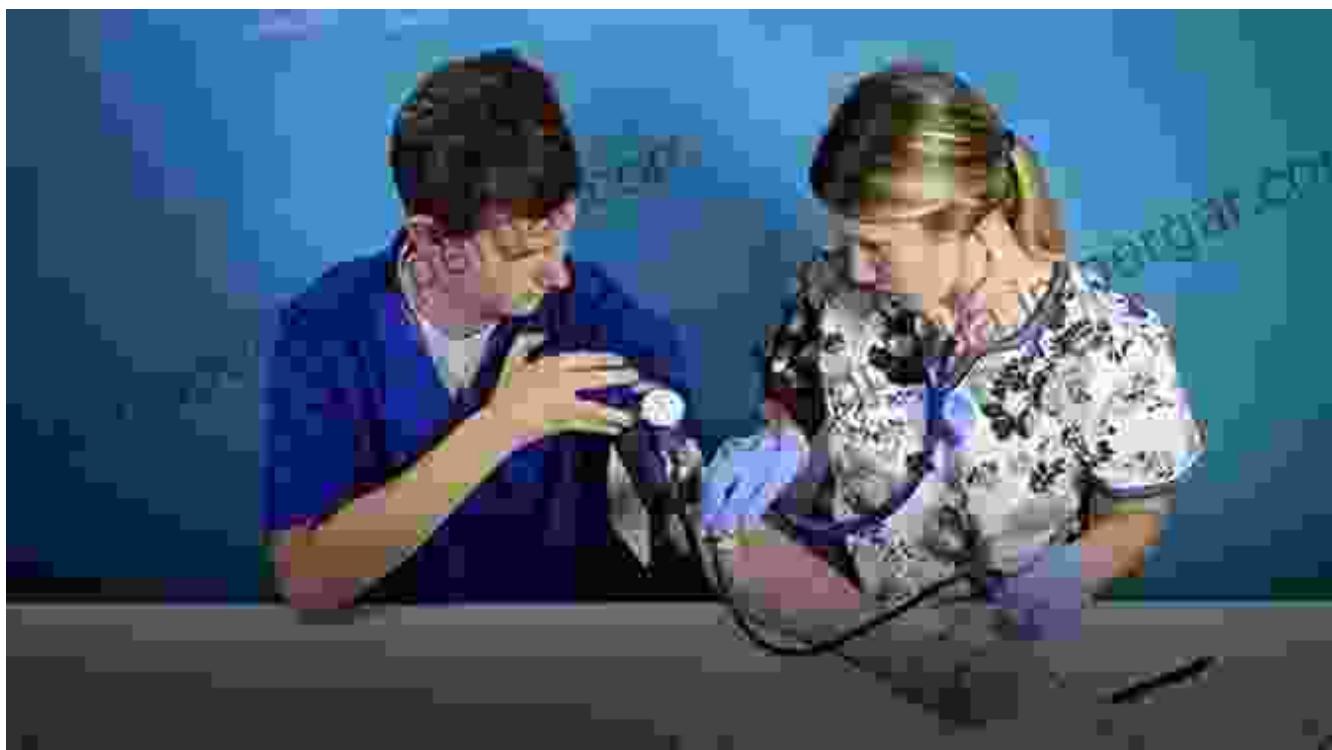
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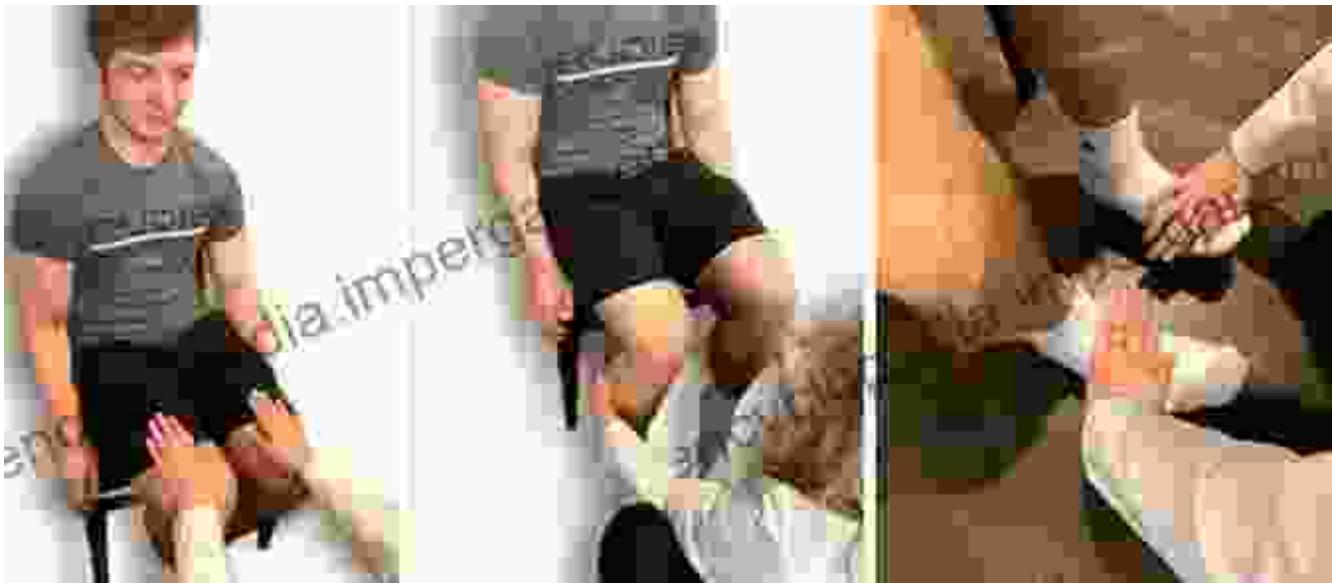
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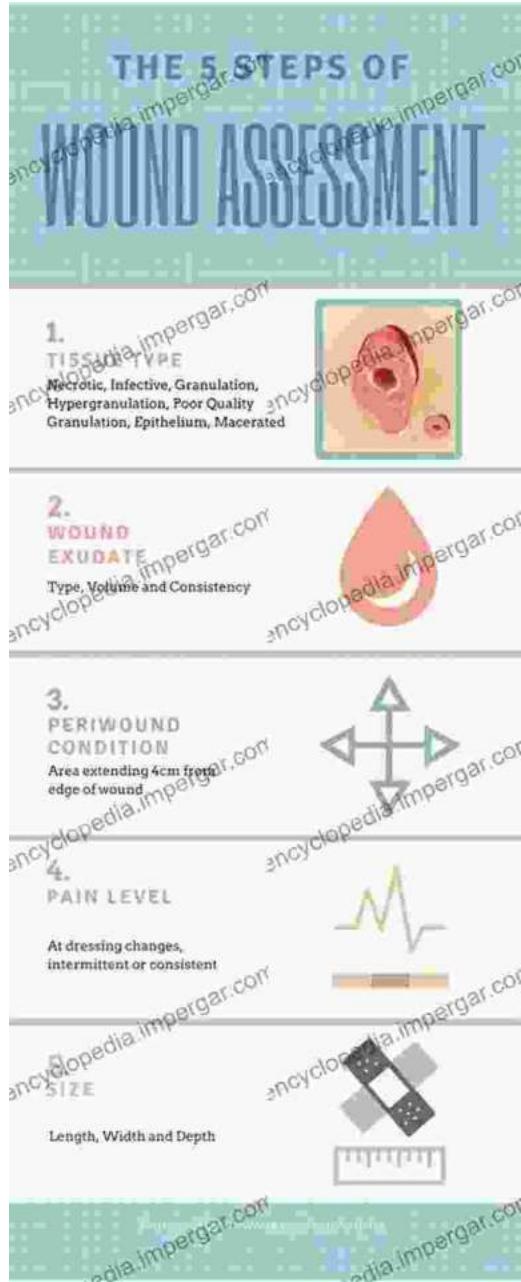
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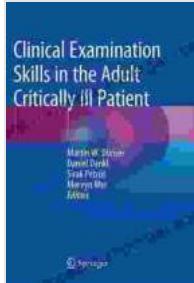
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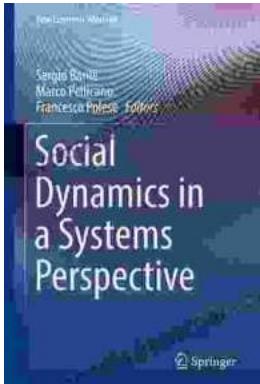
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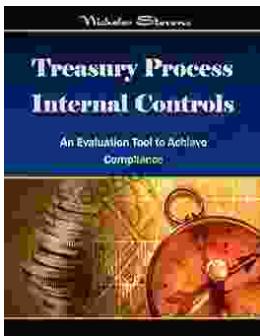
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