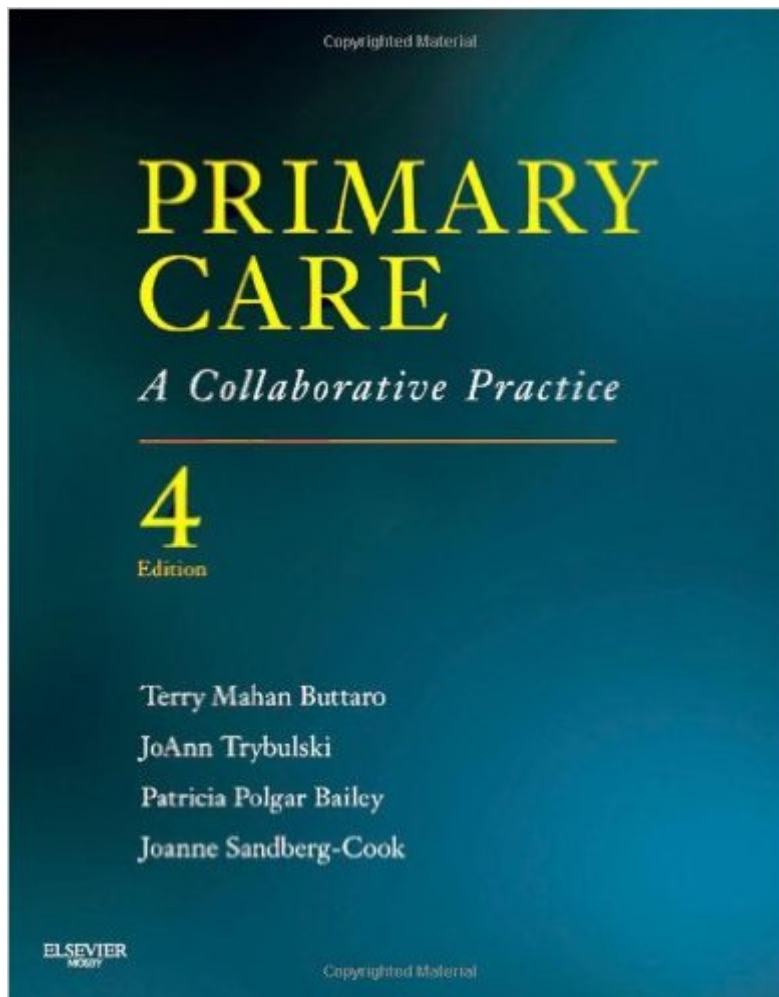


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# Primary Care: A Collaborative Practice, 4e (Primary Care: Collaborative Practice)



## Synopsis

Written by and for Nurse Practitioners from a unique collaborative perspective, *Primary Care: A Collaborative Practice*, 4th Edition, prepares you to provide care for all of the major disorders of adults seen in the outpatient setting. Evidence-based content reflects the latest guidelines for primary care of hundreds of conditions, including hypertension, diabetes, and sexually transmitted infections. Now in full color, the 4th Edition includes chapters on emerging topics such as genetics, obesity, lifestyle management, and emergency preparedness. Combining a special blend of academic and clinical expertise, the author team provides a practical text/reference that promotes a truly collaborative primary care practice. Comprehensive, evidence-based content incorporates the latest standardized guidelines for primary care in today's fast-paced, collaborative environment. Unique! A collaborative perspective, reflecting the key roles of NPs, MDs, PAs, PharmDs, and others, promotes seamless continuity of care. A consistent format from chapter to chapters facilitates learning and clinical reference value. Diagnostics and Differential Diagnosis boxes provide a quick reference for diagnosing disorders and helping to develop effective management plans. Physician Consultation icons highlight situations or conditions in which consultation is either recommended or necessary. Emergency Referral icons identify signs and symptoms that indicate the need for immediate referral to an emergency facility. Co-management with Specialists discussions help you provide truly collaborative care in the outpatient setting. Complementary and alternative therapies are addressed where supported by solid research evidence. NEW Inclusion of evidence-based guidelines for such topics as hypertension, diabetes, advanced cardiac life support, coronary artery disease, and sexually transmitted infections equips you to provide state-of-the-science primary care in these key areas. An expanded emphasis on caring for the elderly, italicized for easy identification, equips you to provide high-quality care for our aging population. NEW Obesity and Weight Management chapter explores the causes of and risk factors for obesity, and provides in-depth strategies for its management and prevention. NEW Genetic Considerations in Primary Care chapter helps you look at primary care with a genetic perspective, focusing on risk assessment, family history-taking, and direct-to-consumer genetic testing. NEW Lifestyle Management chapter offers guidelines for helping patients to increase their quality and length of life through nutrition and diet, smoking cessation, avoidance of lifestyle-related illnesses, and curbing domestic violence. NEW Emergency Preparedness, Recognition, and Response in Primary Care chapter addresses the emerging role of primary care providers in responding to outbreaks, pandemics, and disasters. NEW Neuropsychological Evaluation chapter explains when to refer patients with cognitive difficulties for neuropsychological testing. NEW Environmental

Allergies chapter addresses increasingly common allergy complaints. NEW full-color design makes the text easier to read and easier to use, with key assessment findings shown in true-to-life color photos. Expanded The Changing Landscape of Collaborative Practice chapter covers new partners in collaborative practice (DPTs and PharmDs), new venues for collaborative practice (such as retail health), and the future of collaborative practice (including health care reform, the patient-centered medical home, telehealth, and electronic medical records). Expanded Health Literacy, Health Care Disparities, and Culturally Competent Care chapter includes a section on health care disparities in the treatment of patients with diabetes and LGBT patients. Expanded Principles of Geriatric Primary Care and Common Geriatric Syndromes chapter provides greater emphasis on the care of older adults, including additional information on advance directives.

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hold on to old ethics text, a research text, a role development textbook, and a leadership book. Most of them cover what this book covers with much less effort. The authors of this book seem to be trying to make much to do about something or everything.

This text book is great if you have time to read it. As a core book for a FNP class, it contains too much information to review in 15 weeks. There is no way to read every word which steers students away from reading it at all. Students must rely on other sources to drill down to the important points of each disease process. This book is more suitable for a reference for an intense amount of details on a topic.

Yes, yes, yes. Great book with a lot of text! A lot of information but specific areas have definitive paths to take with diagnosis as well as a great clinical signs and symptoms. The book is a little overbearing when you see how much text can fit on each page but it is very informative.

This is a book that I will certainly keep as a reference, but it could have been better. The table of contents (if you are an NP student you use this a lot) is about 20 pages in, which is very inconvenient for trying to follow along with a class. The first couple hundred pages are culturally competent care, research, blah blah blah. This is not necessary at this point in an NP program. I also think that the authors did a good job of writing the text and the tables are pretty helpful to summarize. If you are a pictures person when it comes to learning patho, this may not be your favorite book. I also find that the authors group several disorders under the same headings such as cholelithiasis and cholecystitis or blepharitis, chalazion, and hordeolums. When they group similar disorders together and go back and forth talking about them within that section, it is difficult to differentiate between them. I think it's important to know the subtle differences between similar conditions and I don't want to be confused. This is when additional resources came in handy. I will need to buy an internal medicine text to supplement this book as it doesn't go into much detail about these conditions and spends a good amount of time describing acute care management for a book called primary care. I do like the little icons that say when it is a good idea to refer a patient and the differential diagnosis boxes. Unfortunately this book has limited applicability after I finish my course. I was hoping it would be a bible for me as I start my career.

This book is required for my curriculum but I really like the book. The chapters are small and not overwhelming to read. The book covers everything from physiology to treatment. I would

recommend this book!

This particular textbook has no page numbers when purchased as a Kindle version. Most of the modules for my course require specific page readings, so this was a nearly worthless \$80 purchase. Also, I find it much easier to skim textbooks when they are in print.

Good layout. Up to date information. Well organized. Easy format. Excellent authors. Well researched chapters and subsections. Would recommend to others.

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