

Contents

Disclaimer vii
Foreword viii
Preface ix

| | | | |
|---|----|---|-----|
| Introduction | 1 | Criminal Charges | 61 |
| 1 Abandonment in the Emergency Department | 3 | 24 Criminal Acts | 63 |
| 2 Abandonment of Patient by Treating Physician | 6 | 25 Death Certification | 66 |
| 3 Admission | 9 | 26 Decision-Making | 68 |
| 4 Advance Directives | 11 | 27 Difficult Patient Encounter | 70 |
| 5 Advanced Practice Providers | 14 | 28 Discharge Instructions | 74 |
| 6 Adverse Event Disclosure | 17 | 29 Disruptive Provider Behavior | 77 |
| 7 Against Medical Advice | 21 | 30 Do Not Resuscitate | 79 |
| 8 Americans with Disabilities Act and Education | 25 | 31 Documentation | 82 |
| 9 Americans with Disabilities Act and Access to Facilities | 27 | 32 Domestic Violence | 84 |
| 10 Assault | 29 | 33 Driving Impairment | 87 |
| 11 Assisted Suicide | 31 | 34 Drug and Alcohol Abuse | 90 |
| 12 Battery | 33 | 35 Duty to Warn | 92 |
| 13 Bed Boarding | 35 | 36 Electronic Health Records | 94 |
| 14 Brain Death | 38 | 37 Emergency Consent | 97 |
| 15 Care of Children | 41 | 38 Emergency Medical Services | 100 |
| 16 Code Response | 43 | 39 Emergency Medical Treatment and Labor Act | 103 |
| 17 Commitment | 45 | 40 Employment Issues | 105 |
| 18 Communication | 47 | 41 Expert Witness | 108 |
| 19 Competence and Capacity | 50 | 42 Fitness for Duty | 114 |
| 20 Confidentiality | 52 | 43 Frequent User | 117 |
| 21 Consultation | 55 | 44 Futility | 121 |
| 22 Controlled Substances | 58 | 45 Geriatric Abuse | 124 |
| | | 46 Good Samaritan | 126 |
| | | 47 Guidelines and Protocols | 128 |

Contents

| | | | | | |
|----|---|-----|-----|---|-----|
| 48 | Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act and Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act | 132 | 78 | Peer Review | 240 |
| 49 | HIV | 136 | 79 | Policy/Procedure | 244 |
| 50 | Hospital Medicine | 140 | 80 | Pregnancy | 248 |
| 51 | Immigrant Care | 143 | 81 | Prescription Writing | 251 |
| 52 | Impaired Physician | 147 | 82 | Privacy | 254 |
| 53 | Indigent Care | 150 | 83 | Professional Boundary Issues | 259 |
| 54 | In-Flight Emergencies | 153 | 84 | Protected Health Information | 263 |
| 55 | Informal Consultation | 157 | 85 | Psychiatric Care | 267 |
| 56 | Informed Consent | 160 | 86 | Referral | 270 |
| 57 | Insurance | 163 | 87 | Religion | 273 |
| 58 | Intoxication | 166 | 88 | Research | 277 |
| 59 | Laboratory Testing | 169 | 89 | Restraint | 280 |
| 60 | Left without Being Seen, Left without Treatment, and Elopement | 172 | 90 | Resuscitation | 283 |
| 61 | Malpractice Claims | 179 | 91 | Service Contract | 287 |
| 62 | Mandatory Care | 182 | 92 | Sexual Assault | 291 |
| 63 | Mandatory Reporting | 185 | 93 | Social Media | 296 |
| 64 | Medical Education | 188 | 94 | Staff Privileges | 300 |
| 65 | Medical Errors | 193 | 95 | Subpoena | 304 |
| 66 | Medical Records | 197 | 96 | Substance Abuse | 308 |
| 67 | Medical Screening Exam | 201 | 97 | Suicide | 311 |
| 68 | Minor Consent | 204 | 98 | Telemedicine | 315 |
| 69 | Missed Illness and Injury | 208 | 99 | Telephone Advice | 320 |
| 70 | Multiple Visits | 212 | 100 | Third-Party Duty | 324 |
| 71 | Nursing | 215 | 101 | Transfer | 329 |
| 72 | Operations | 219 | 102 | Translation, Interpreting, and Language Issues | 332 |
| 73 | Organ Donation | 223 | 103 | Triage | 337 |
| 74 | Overcrowding | 226 | 104 | Unanticipated Death | 340 |
| 75 | Pain Control/Medication | 230 | 105 | Urgent Care | 344 |
| 76 | Patient Satisfaction | 233 | 106 | Violence | 348 |
| 77 | Pediatric Abuse | 237 | | | |
| | | | | <i>Glossary</i> | 352 |
| | | | | <i>Index</i> | 354 |