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Preface

Neonatology is intended to be a practical bedside reference – not a comprehensive textbook – for problems likely to be encountered in the Newborn Nursery or Newborn Intensive Care Unit by residents, neonatal nurse practitioners, Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine Fellows, family physicians, pediatricians, and neonatologists. In addition to covering neonatal conditions, supportive care of the newborn, and neonatal procedures, sections on maternal conditions that have implications for the newborn, as well as a section on the differential diagnosis of presenting signs in the newborn are included. Material is presented in outline format as bullets with short statements. Information is provided under headings that are common to all the topics in that section to facilitate navigating among the information presented under each topic. For example, information in the sections on conditions is presented under the headings History & Physical, Tests, Differential Diagnosis, Management, Specific Therapy, Follow-Up, and Complications and Prognosis, while that in procedures is presented under the headings Indications, Contraindications, Special Considerations, and Complications.

We hope you find our book useful in your day-to-day encounters with sick newborn infants and their families.

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