Caring for the Seriously Ill Patient

Considers the key issues surrounding the care of critically and acutely ill patients in the general hospital.

Chapters are structured to give a solid understanding of the anatomy and physiology of each body system before looking at the major associated conditions and illnesses and how the patient is assessed, monitored and cared for. Chapters have been completely updated to reflect current research and practice, with expanded sections on early warning systems, pain management and the needs of elderly patients, as well as a new chapter on critical care outreach.