Chronic Fatigue Syndrome is sometimes dismissed as an "all in your head" illness. There are no tests or other physical signs to diagnose CFS/ME. A diagnosis is given when a health care practitioner has ruled out other causes for the cluster of symptoms. The US Center for Disease Control and Prevention considers CFS/ME to be a real and debilitating illness. Still, individuals with this disease remain frustrated by the lack of belief and support from healthcare providers, families, and friends. They continually doubt themselves and ask "What's wrong with me?", "Am I crazy?", "Am I imagining these problems?"

Simply organized and clearly written What Nurses Know: Chronic Fatigue Syndrome provides individuals, their families, friends, caregivers, and healthcare practitioners the answers they need and want.