Provide optimal, evidence-based triage assessment, advice, and protocols, with
Triage Protocols for Aging Adults
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The 190 evidence-based protocols offered here address a wide range of symptoms, disorders, and emergencies affecting those 50 and older. Flip quickly to the right symptom and ask the questions listed there to determine whether the individual requires emergency, same-day, or home care. Whether you are in family practice or are a triage nurse working at a hospital, urgent care center, or insurance company, this is the go-to reference to keep by your side.

Advance your evidence-based triage skills and protocols with:

Easy-to-follow flowchart format
that leads you from yes-or-no questions to assessment, recommendations, and clear instructions

190 protocols that cover the most common conditions faced by aging adults - all body systems, plus weakness, falls, loss of memory, poor appetite, medication interaction problems, and more

Alpha-organized table of contents
that helps you locate symptoms quickly

Contents also organized by body system for quick-find protocols

Protocols that have symptom-based titles
and address issues affecting all body systems, such as abdominal pain and swelling, alcohol problems, allergic reactions, altered mental status, asthma, earache, elder abuse, joint pain/swelling, and more

All protocols reviewed
by a team of nursing experts

Action

column
of each protocol that presents emergency actions first

Coverage of the legal aspects
of triage

Tools and sample forms
- telephone triage protocol form, triage documentation form, triage log, skills assessment, call documentation review, and teaching self-assessment guide

Chapter features include:

Key Questions
- name, age, onset, medications, pain scale, associated symptoms, and history

Other Protocols to Consider
- lists related protocols and their page numbers

Health Alert
- additional information to consider when choosing a protocol, with additional resources listed

Assessment Questions and Actions
- with specific actions under each yes-or-no answer

Home Care Instructions
- detailed instructions sections that explain care to be given before emergency
help arrives, while waiting for an appointment, or for ongoing home care

Report the Following Problems to Your PCP/Clinic/ED
- symptoms or conditions that should be reported to their usual healthcare provider

Seek Emergency Care Immediately if Any of the Following Occur
- symptoms or conditions that require emergency care