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- Culturally Responsive Care
- Genetic Assessment and Counseling
- Supporting Emotional Health
- Physical Safety Provisions for Care
- Palliative Care for Children and Families
- Care for Children and Youth With Disabilities

Each chapter begins with an introduction to a core element, and includes a discussion of nursing care for each element, along with comments on multidisciplinary collaboration.