Nursing Practice and Health Care is an essential companion to pre-registration nursing education programmes, for those studying at degree and diploma level, and for students on post-registration courses. This fifth edition has been completely revised to reflect the current professional and educational requirements for those preparing for registration as a nurse, while maintaining a strong focus on practice and reflecting the needs of those requiring nursing and health care. Additionally, it uses the 2008 NMC Code as the cornerstone for many of its chapters.

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