Clinical Pain Management: Cancer Pain

Now divided into four parts, the second edition of Cancer Pain delivers broad coverage of the issues that arise in the management of malignancy-related pain, from basic science, through end of life care and associated ethical issues, to therapies, both medical and complementary.

Part One reviews basis considerations in cancer pain management, including epidemiology, pharmacology, history-taking and patient evaluation and teamworking.

Part Two brings together the drug therapies for cancer pain, their underlying basis, and potential side-effects.

Part Three covers the non-drug therapies, including nerve blocks, stimulation-induced analgesia, radiotherapy, complementary therapies and psychological interventions. The control of symptoms other than pain, so critical to cancer patients, is also considered here.

Part Four describes special situations. Cancer pain management in children and older patients, and in the community setting, and pain in the dying patient and the cancer survivor are all covered here.