BOOK REVIEW

Female Pelvic Medicine: Challenging Cases with Expert Commentary

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Rating: $\star\star\star\star\star$ (five stars out of five)

Description

This book covers all aspects of complex pelvic floor disorders through case-based scenarios with expert commentary from a multidisciplinary panel of experts.

Purpose

The authors successfully aim to contribute a very useful text to the female pelvic medicine and reconstructive surgery (FMPRS) literature that focuses on diagnosis and management of pelvic floor disorders. It is relevant for all providers seeing routine cases as well as for those seeing more advanced and challenging cases. This book is needed because it uniquely incorporates expert commentary on how an expert in the field would approach that difficult scenario. Another unique aspect is the true multidisciplinary approach this text takes, including disorders of the genitourinary and colorectal systems. The authors definitely achieved their objectives.

Audience

This book is appropriate for learners (students, residents, fellows), advanced practice providers, and attendings, and I think the expert commentary and advanced case scenarios are particularly useful. Authors Drs. Kobashi and Wexner are well-known experts in this field and contribute regularly with scholarly publications, lead groundbreaking research trials, and serve as leadership in national organizations.

Features

This book covers all aspects of pelvic floor dysfunction involving voiding dysfunction, pelvic organ prolapse, defecatory dysfunction, and pelvic pain syndromes. The book is divided into five parts: part 1 focuses on evaluating pelvic floor disorders, parts 2 through 4 focus on treating pelvic floor disorders (urinary incontinence, fecal incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse), and part 5 focuses on unique complications and situations. Parts 2 through 4 are divided into chapters addressing unique disease states. Throughout the chapters, colorful illustrations, tables, and photographs assist the readers with understanding the material, adding to the value of this text.

Assessment

This is an excellent book that is very useful to the intended audience. I do not think there are similar texts that can compare to this title's unique addition of expert commentary and multidisciplinary complement of authors.

Score

Weighted Numerical Score: 98 - *****

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