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Blueprints Surgery, 5th Edition



Synopsis

Part of the Blueprints series, Blueprints Surgery provides a concise review of what students need to know in their surgery rotations or the Boards. Each chapter is brief and includes pedagogical features such as bolded key words, tables, figures, and key points boxes. This edition has been thoroughly updated and significantly expanded, with more detail and depth of coverage, additional tables and figures, and case studies. A question-and-answer section at the end of the book includes 100 board-format questions with complete rationales for each answer choice. A companion website includes a question bank containing an additional 50 questions and fully searchable text.

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Customer Reviews

blue prints surgery is a very good review book for surgery .it is just 113 pages which makes it very easy to study and covers the important topics tested in the usmle. has got very good diagrams and tables.not for indepth study, but good source of reveiw for the boards.i recommend this book for anyone preparing for the boards.

I did particularly well on the surgical subcategory of Step 2, and it's owed to this book. Hands down, it's the best, highest-yield 3rd/4th year review for surgical disease - including epidemiology, symptoms, signs, diagnosis, and management. Awesome for review before the big test; also useful for overview of surgical diseases during your clerkship. One small complaint: it costs lots of dollars

for about 100 pages.

I used many of the blueprints books during my clinical rotations in medical school. This one was by far the worst one. The information is more of a cursory overview of several topics. There is just not enough scope or detail in this book for it to be useful. I used this book in conjunction with "Surgical Recall" which is an excellent book. I also referred to the "Essential of General Surgery" book on some specific topics such as fluid and electrolyte management that are not well covered in either book. Perhaps future editions of this book will be better.

This book was far too superficial to use as a review book for shelf exams or to obtain an adequate understanding in general surgery. I would recommend the Lawrence surgery book, which takes longer to read, but at least you are gaining a better grasp of the material.

You can consider a book in two ways: (1) USMLE/shelf exam prep or (2) clinical rotation/patient exposure prep. This book fails in both respects. It is astonishingly brief, one of the smaller blueprints books in the series. It skims the surface of most surgical concepts and lacks much detail. It lacks the detail and topic coverage to be an effective textbook for exam study. As for rounds and actual surgeries, this may cover some of the topics that you will be pimped on, but you'll likely be running to up-to-date for more information. I would suggest First Aid for the Surgery Clerkship which more than prepared me for both the clinical aspects and the shelf exam or Essentials of General Surgery.

Excellent quick review. I used this to help study for the PAEA end of rotation exam, and it definitely helped point out some important concepts for testing purposes. A little bit less detailed than you would need as your only resource on a surgery rotation, but definitely a great supplement for passing the test. Also, the practice test at the end was very helpful for studying, as it also explains every answer.

This book contains not much of details for USMLE. Even you have very little time left and lots of topics to cram, don't think about this one.

Too much reading for a surgery rotation. Case Files Surgery is more realistic. Make sure you combine Case Files with Q-bank questions. If you insist upon this book, then make sure you couple it with questions.

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