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This best-selling competency based learning system offers comprehensive content that is unequaled in preparing learners to be skilled nursing assistants in long term care, acute care, and home care settings. Over the years, this text has become the essential resource for the latest information and trends in nursing assistant education. It includes the latest health industry expectations of the knowledge and skills nursing assistants need to bring to the workplace. In addition, it presents more than 160 procedures in an easy to understand step-by-step format.

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- New content on dealing with violence in the workplace
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- New topics include the waterless bath, sequential compression therapy, computerized documentation, professional boundaries, checking capillary refill, care of patients with implanted medication pumps, care of patients with central intravenous catheters, care of the patient with chest tubes, continuous passive motion therapy, using the automatic external defibrillator (AED)
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