**Synopsis**

This easy-to-read outline review follows the unique two-column Straight A’s format that lets students choose how they study for NCLEX® and course exams. The interior column outlines key facts for in-depth review; the exterior column lists only the most crucial points for quickest review. Other features include NCLEX®-style questions at the beginning and end of each chapter; lists of top items to study before a test; Time-Out for Teaching patient-teaching points; Go with the Flow algorithms; and critical information highlighted in a second color. A bound-in CD-ROM contains hundreds of NCLEX®-style questions “including alternate-item format questions” with answers and rationales.

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**Customer Reviews**

I used someone else’s book who loves it, and is doing well with all the titles going into fourth semester now. It’s a quick review of materials using a margin note system for overview, and more detail on that same page. Separated by subject, it’s easier to read and find specifics than some review guides that mix up all the subjects. Also good for test review, my friend said the overviews in the marjins were enough to add points at test time. I’ve just finished first semester with A’s. There are other titles I want, I like that it finds what’s most important. WE DON’T HAVE TIME IN NURSING SCHOOL TO DO MAJOR READING!! :(
The highlight of this book is that it comes with a CD that has about 17 questions for each section in the book to test yourself. This book is pretty much an outline of your med surg book. I recommend and prefer med surg reviews and rationales, b/c it has more info. Also the med surg made incredibly easy CD, NOT THE BOOK has ALL the questions that this CD has and more, up to 200 questions for each section as oppose to the 17 this CD has. So instead get the incredibly easy CD and reviews and rationales book.

This book was a requirement for my med-surg class. For each section in the book, there is a section for pretest questions, anatomy & physiology, assessment findings, diagnostic tests, nursing diagnosis, and a few others depending on the subject plus a few more questions at the end. I found this book too simple/basic. The CD that comes with the book has more questions, but I find that these are too simple, not representative of test questions that we get in class and I can't imagine that the NCLEX would be that simple. If you want a quick overview or just a basic introduction to the subject without too much indepth info, this book is fine. Otherwise save your money.

Straight A’s books are amazing for nursing. They break down all the long drawn out paragraphs in nursing books and get straight to the point. This is what the disease is, this is what it looks like, and this is what you should do for it. It is a great study guide through out your nursing school years.

I chose to order this textbook after one of my nursing professors recommended it to me. It is a GREAT resource! I use it when writing my patho papers for clinical and for studying for exams. It gives just the need to knows and no fluff which helps cut down on study time. It helps when making note cards and instead of rereading my actual textbook, I read this to just give me a summary. I would highly recommend this book to anyone who wants to succeed or bring their grades up in any nursing course.

I used this book to study for exams and to look up information when I was taking care of patients on clinical days at the hospital as a nursing student. I liked the way info was organized into two formats - pages of detailed information by disease/disorder/procedure with a quick reference section in the margins of each page. This book simplified info I was responsible for memorizing for exams and practice by its concise presentation of facts.

I got straight A’s in my first semester of nursing school and have every intention of getting them
throughout my program. Should I garner an A in my Adult I (aka Med-Surge I) class, it will be no thanks to this book. The very first problem: the accompanying CD-ROM does not work. It freezes up when trying to select NCLEX questions. It does this not only on my computer but on both of my husband's computers as well. The second grievance -- and this is an enormous one -- it does not even *mention* Acid-Base Balance. This concept is the basis upon which we build much of our nursing practice and not easily learned. In fact, I was advised by senior students and current nurses to really have acid-base balance down before the beginning of this semester. This is my current undertaking. The rest of the book is disorganized and could be written more concisely. I would return it if I hadn't bought last summer. I have heard good things about the Saunders book so I will check it out next. Buyer beware!

great review book!!! the review question are good. thils book is a great guide. and broken down into nice sections. i have compared with other books, the formatting of this one is simple, but cover all the need to knows. its on point

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