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前 言

人一生的多数时间都比较健康。当他们偶然生病时,保健系统似乎能很好地适应 他们的需要。但是,随着年龄的增长,一切都改变了。预防疾病的需要更紧迫,疾病 也更常见,保健的需要似乎成为生活中的常规部分。保健系统仿佛更复杂化、非个人 的,而且难以控制,好像它是为其他人所设立。有用的信息常常很难找到。

《默克老年健康手册》有导航作用,帮助人们了解保健系统,找到关于健康和疾病的有用信息。无论你是处于最健康的状态并且希望保持这种状态;还是你处于疾病中,希望恢复健康;或是你一直身体不佳,始终面对着疾病的生活现状,《默克老年健康手册》都能给你和那些关心你的人们提供所需要的信息。本手册的目的是解释其他书没有或不能解释的问题。《默克手册》系列图书富含经验,这有赖于世界上成千上万的医疗保健从业者和大众,正是他们的大量经验汇成了这本新书。本书撰稿者、顾问以及编辑委员会成员都是老年人保健领域的专家,他们的知识和经验凝结成了本书,也确保了本书的准确性和真实性。

因为老年人的保健是复杂的,而且涉及许多不同医疗保健从业者的专业技能,本书包含了大量的、广泛的信息。包括:身体是如何老化,保健系统是如何运作和应该如何照顾老年人,如何与医疗保健从业者加强联系,如何面对疾病。关于影响老年人的大多数疾病以及它们对老年人的影响又有何不同,本书提供了深入的信息。

知识就是力量,今天知识是必不可少的。你掌握的信息越多,你就越能更好地与医生、护士、社会工作者以及其他医疗保健从业者配合。《默克老年健康手册》是一本补充读物,不是专业医疗保健书籍的替代。它提供你需要和想要的,而在其他书籍上不能得到的信息。利用这些信息你可以更好地了解你的身体发生了什么,以确保你正在接受最好的护理,并且能够就医疗保健作出最好的决定。如果你是如此幸运,从来没有用到这些信息,我们希望对人体世界的好奇也可以吸引你阅读本书。

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承诺提供医学信息: 默沙东和《默克手册》

1899 年,美国制药商默沙东公司第一次出版了《默克药物手册》,是一本 192 页的小册子。该手册有助于医生和药剂师查阅药品,提醒医生"记忆有时是不可靠的"。因为小巧、易用、内容丰富以及价格便宜,《默克手册》(后来众所周知)成为医务工作者和那些需要医学参考资料的人们最喜爱的册子。甚至 Albert Schweitzer 1913 年到非洲时带了一册,1929 年 Admiral Byrd 到南极时带了一册。

到 20 世纪 80 年代,本书成为世界销售最多的医学教材,而且译本超过 12 种语言。经过许多年后,总公司的名称换了多次,而本书始终没有更名,正式名称为《默克诊疗手册》,但通常称为《默克手册》,有时也称为《默克》。贯穿本书的近代史,默沙东公司发行本书始终都是在非盈利目的的基础上,保持低价以便于许多人能够拥有并使用本书。

1990 年《默克手册》的编辑们推出了《默克老年病手册》。这本新书很快成为老年医学管理领域销售最好的教材,提供关于老年病管理的特有的、广泛的信息。现在,《默克老年病手册》已出版第 3 版,以 5 种语言出版。本书的创作和连续出版反映默沙东公司对世界老年人口的承诺以及公司为改善全球老年医学事业的愿望。

1997 年《默克家庭诊疗手册》发行。在这本革命性的书籍中,作者将《默克手册》中复杂的医学信息翻译成简单易懂的语言,这意味着创作了一本适合所有没有医学背景而又对医疗保健有兴趣的人们使用的书籍。这本书受到了极大的称赞,销售了200多万册。《默克家庭诊疗手册》第2版于2003年出版,而且继续了默沙东公司的承诺,以较低的价格向所有人提供广泛的、可以理解的医学信息。

继续了默沙东公司对教育和老年人健康管理的承诺,《默克老年健康手册》以公众能够理解的语言提供了关于老化以及照顾老年人的信息。

默沙东公司提供《默克索引》以帮助药剂师和其他需要知道药物成分的人们。 1889年首次发行,该书事实上较《默克手册》为先,而且它是该类书中使用最广泛的。《默克兽医手册》在1995年第一次出版,它提供了关于动物健康管理的信息,是这一领域优秀的书籍。

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读者指南

《默克老年健康手册》由 4 部分组成,包括 66 个章节。了解该结构有助于读者阅读本书。浏览"索引"或"目录"可以很快找到通常感兴趣的题目。当寻找一个特殊题目时,"索引"可能格外有帮助。

部分

第一部分,"老化的基础",包括设定阶段的三个主题:为什么老化发生,老化是如何影响身体的特定部分,以及老化正如何改变美国和世界人口。

第二部分,"关心自己和他人",耀眼的主题,帮助人们变得更积极主动地关心自己或亲人。这部分包括预防保健、健康营养学、药物的合理使用、大量的诊断性检查以及补充和替换治疗;还包括一些关于如何获得和组织护理的主题,包括与医生和其他医疗保健从业者的交流,回顾不同设施条件下护理的连续性、照顾、姑息性护理和临终关怀等。

第三部分,"医疗条件",主要集中于老年人疾病的不同特点,而不是讨论疾病的所有方面。一些被讨论的疾病几乎只发生在老年人;其他多数也是更常发生在老年人。还有一些疾病可发生在所有人群,但在老年人发病有所不同。

第四部分,"社会、法律和伦理问题",提到了几个有关于健康和保健方面有争议的、现实关注的问题,包括应付变化、驾驶、关系的亲密性、虐待、法律和伦理问题以及偿付医疗保健费用的许多方式等。

童节

在"医疗条件"部分中,有些章节只描述了一种单一疾病或状态,例如,谵妄或跌倒。其他的章节描述相关的疾病,例如,口腔和牙科疾病或心脏瓣膜疾病。在以上两种情况下,讨论通常是以一个简短的定义开始。随后的信息是由病因、症状、诊断、预防、治疗和预后的典型结构组成。

附加信息

在一些章节中,关于一个题目更深入和更专业性的解释在边缘用红色框架标注,写有"附加信息"。有些读者可能想通过阅读这个材料,更好地理解一种疾病,而另外一些读者则可能想跳过此部分。

相互参见

本书遍布"参见"标注,标注关于一个主题的其他重要的或相关的讨论。

医学名词

医学名词常在通用名词后用括号表示。

诊断性检查

全书都提到诊断性检查。第5章中解释了一些常用的诊断性检查,包括一次检查中可能经历的事情的信息。

图、框、表

本书中有许多插图、框及表,帮助解释文中的具体内容或提供附加的相关信息。

药物信息

药物一般用的是它们的通用名称,而不是它们的商标或商品名称。本书附录列出了药物名称对照表。

许多药物列表分布在整本书当中,都以 Rx 标记出来。这些药物列表提供了一类或一组药物的附加信息。

由于药物的使用受年龄、性别、体重、身高、一种以上疾病的出现以及其他药物使用的影响,因此,药物的剂量并没有给出。

短文

本书有 25 篇短文, 附带有作者相片。在此, 作者就他们关于老化以及它对他们 所热爱事物的影响的个人观点和感悟与大家分享。少数作者是著名的, 而多数并不 是。

提供帮助和信息的资源

第二部分附录列出了能对疾病提供附加信息或能够帮助找到各种支持服务的许多 机构。提供了这些机构的联系方式。

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GUESTION

WHO-SERIOUSLY! - WOULD WANT TO LIVE WITH AN ATCHENT PSYCHO-KID JELF! ugH!



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