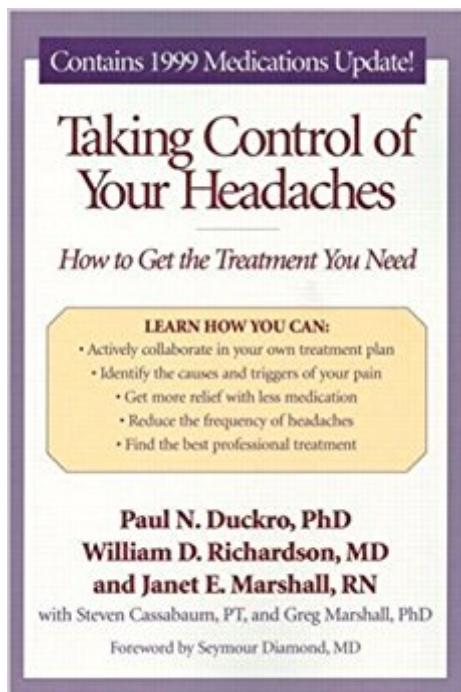


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Taking Control Of Your Headaches: How To Get The Treatment You Need



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This book emphasizes education, the importance of developing an active collaboration with treating professionals, and the need to integrate all therapies and therapists. Further, it stresses the goal of improved coping rather than curing. All of these are most critical to people who are plagued by unremitting headaches. By masterfully interweaving real world examples and having readers complete key self-tests, complex topics are easily grasped. Difficult, sensitive subjects are dealt with in a particularly helpful way."Active consumers--and I stress the word 'active'--of this text will become wiser, more involved, and empowered so they truly can help take control of their headaches. In fact, this book will be of value to anyone experiencing any type of chronic health condition, for it is chock-full of prescriptions

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