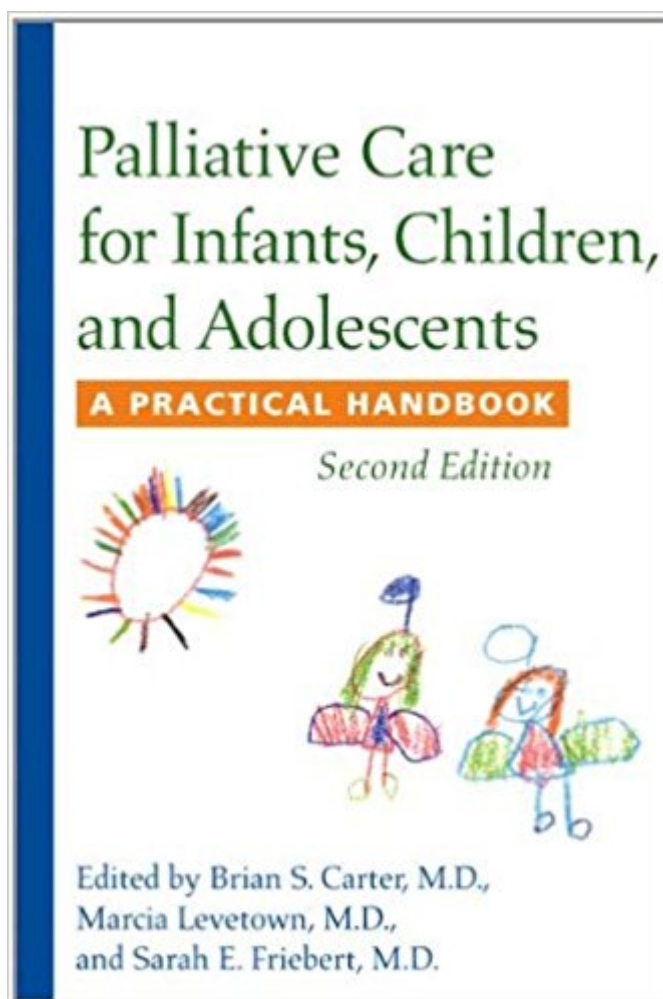


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# Palliative Care For Infants, Children, And Adolescents: A Practical Handbook



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There are few things requiring more expertise, delicacy, and compassion than caring for an infant, child, or young adult with a life-limiting condition. Written by leading researchers, clinicians from relevant disciplines, family members, and advocates, this practical guide provides professionals involved in pediatric palliative and end-of-life care with comprehensive information in a single volume. Thoroughly updated and expanded, this edition includes chapters addressing the unique challenges facing children with HIV/AIDS and their families, care in home and ICU settings, difficult decision-making processes, and the importance of communication with the child and family, as well as completely new chapters on spiritual dimensions of care and educational and advocacy initiatives. Intended for primary care physicians, pediatric practitioners and specialists, home care and hospice personnel, pastoral counselors, and affected families, the book includes useful resource and reference material and practical, hands-on tips. With contributions from an international group of expert educators, clinicians, and parents, this book takes a truly interdisciplinary approach to pediatric palliative care, presenting best practices, clear instruction, and the latest information and research for anyone involved in pediatric palliative and end-of-life care.

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Very good

Good book. Yay.

Great interdisciplinary review of what pediatric palliative care should look like. Includes many psychosocial concepts. Does not provide thorough symptom management information; includes short overview of the common symptoms seen in this population, but does not include specific management strategies. The section on specific patient populations and environments provided helpful concepts to consider when caring for these patients. Melissa Hunt, lead author/editor of the Pediatric Palliative Care Consultant

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