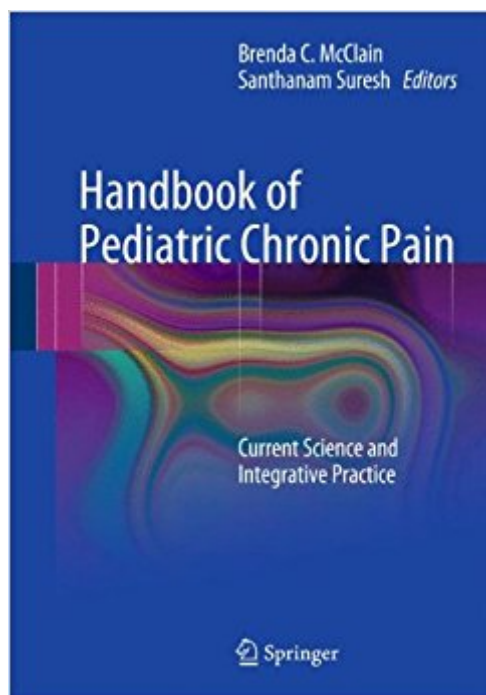




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Handbook Of Pediatric Chronic Pain: Current Science And Integrative Practice (Perspectives On Pain In Psychology)



Synopsis

The purpose of this text is to provide not only the science and current knowledge of pediatric pain management but a rationale for intervention. The book is ground-breaking in that it provides pearls for the recognition and management of multiple childhood chronic pain syndromes. Also, uncommon yet confounding issues such as pain management for epidermolysis bullosa are adequately addressed. Concerns unique to pediatric patients are reviewed. While there are no firm standards in pediatric chronic pain, a care plan is offered to help guide practitioners when possible. The book will consist of 24 chapters, many co-written by a physician and a psychologist. Chapter 1 covers the history of pediatric chronic pain, the advancement pediatric pain as a clinical subspecialty, development of pediatric pain clinics, and characterization of the common pain syndromes. Chapters 2-4 cover, respectively, the research on early pain exposure and neuroplasticity, theories on the common adolescent pain syndromes, and the demographics of chronic pain in children. Chapters 5-16 discuss approaches to assessment and intervention for specific pediatric and adolescent pain syndromes. Chapters 17-23 address interventional techniques such as therapeutic blocks, neurablation, implantable systems, physical therapy, complementary therapy, and pharmacology including opioid tolerance. The final chapter discusses the role of the nurse practitioner in pediatric chronic pain.

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From the reviews: “The first 11 chapters describe conditions of chronic pain in children, and further 12 chapters review ways of management. This is a book on topics not described in detail in textbooks, but encountered in the general praxis of general pediatricians and several specialties. Also of interest for pediatric psychologists and psychiatrists. (Pediatric Endocrinology Reviews (PER), Vol. 10 (2), 2013) “The audience includes pediatric anesthesiologists and any pediatric clinicians who are involved with pain management of children. It can serve as a reference for students, residents, and fellows. The book is exhaustive, offering a balanced and practical overview of pediatric management by academic, experienced faculty. The spectrum of coverage and relationship of pathophysiology to diagnosis and management are very impressive. This is a well-written and very useful book for clinicians involved in pediatric pain management. (Rajasekharan Warriar, Doody’s Book Reviews, August, 2012) “The book lays the groundwork for understanding chronic conditions such as headache, functional abdominal pain, pelvic pain, and cancer-related pain. most useful for readers in the pediatric primary care setting or for those interested in initiating pediatric pain management programs. This thoughtfully written book provides useful insights for clinicians treating pediatric as well as adult patients with chronic pain syndromes. an outstanding textbook that provides a foundation of knowledge for the assessment and management of chronic pain in the pediatric population. (Devi E. Nampiaparampil, Journal of the American Medical Association, Vol. 306 (14), 2011)

Pediatric Chronic Pain Current Science and Integrative Practice Brenda McClain and Santhanam Suresh, editors

In contrast to the days when children were thought to experience less pain than adults, we now know that this is not the case and that prolonged exposure to pain may predispose children to chronic pain syndromes later in life. For these reasons, pain management has become an essential part of pediatric care. Pediatric Chronic Pain reflects current advances in the field, offering the pediatric specialist a comprehensive evidence base for the understanding, accurate assessment, and developmentally appropriate treatment of pain in children, from neonates to adolescents. The work of respected physicians and psychologists, this practical guide provides definitive information on frequently encountered syndromes, assessment tools, a wide range of mainstream and complementary intervention strategies (with special attention to opioid tolerance and tapers), and palliative care. Its groundbreaking coverage: Reviews the epidemiology of chronic pain in children and the history of its management. Features in-depth discussion of pediatric musculoskeletal, abdominal, and pelvic pain syndromes, cancer, sickle cell anemia, and

headaches. Includes a concise guide to radiological imaging and other assessment modalities
Offers treatment rationales based on cutting-edge research. Examines the spectrum of interventional techniques, including therapeutic blocks, implantable systems, physical therapy, pharmacotherapy, and complementary methods. Clarifies the role of the nurse practitioner in managing chronic pain in children and adolescents
Pediatric Chronic Pain will be a trusted daily reference for child psychologists, psychiatrists, and neurologists; medical and health psychologists in pediatric/adolescent settings; pediatric surgeons; and pediatricians, especially those with subspecialty training in neurology, hematology-oncology, and rheumatology.

The book is shoddy. The information is generic and poorly written. The data is poorly researched and not up to date. Pain medicine in children has made significant advances and the information in this book is from the 90's. The authors have taken information from adult pain medicine and lumped it into a book for pain in children, unfortunately, that is not how it works. Children present with different signs and symptoms, their treatment is different. The authors have done a significant disservice. It was disappointing to read the book. I do not recommend this book.

I find the information in this book to be helpful and well organized. It puts dispersed information on pediatric pain management in one book that is helpful for the person that is not necessarily a pediatric pain specialist. This book is written by physicians who work in renowned medical institutions and who are well respected in their professions. While this is a first effort, I find that the authors have made positive steps towards enhancing further understanding of the subject matter.

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