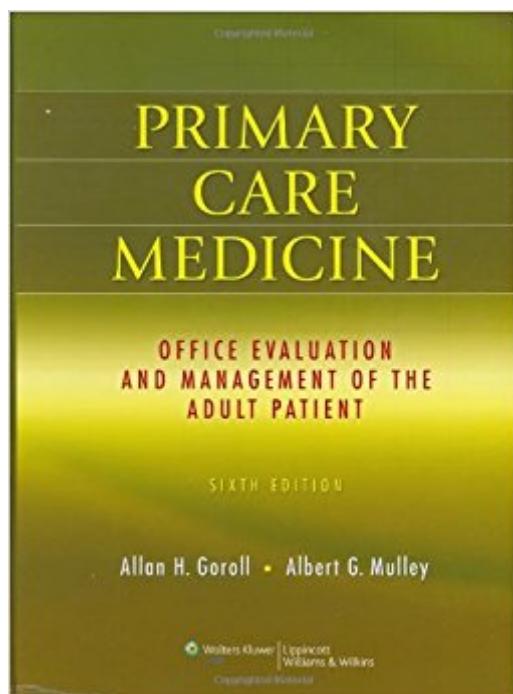


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# Primary Care Medicine: Office Evaluation And Management Of The Adult Patient, 6th Edition



## **Synopsis**

Now in its Sixth Edition, this comprehensive text provides pertinent information on medical diagnosis, therapy, lab tests, and health maintenance essential to decision making in primary care medicine. Every chapter has been revised to include more images, tables, and bulleted lists. Practical recommendations that incorporate the best available evidence, expert consensus guidelines, and clinical judgement are listed in bulleted items at the end of every chapter. The dermatology section has been extensively revised for this edition by a new section editor. A companion Website offers the fully searchable text and an image bank.

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Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA), 12-MAY-10, Volume 303, Issue 18, Deborah I. Allen, MD, Department of Family Medicine, Bowen Research Center/Robert Long Hospital, Indianapolis, IN -- "The first edition of Primary Care Medicine was written more than 25 years ago by a group of young physicians who pioneered the rebirth of primary care medicine within the Harvard medical community; this sixth edition is edited by Allan H. Goroll and Albert G. Mulley Jr. The book has a long list of section editors and contributing writers, most of whom are affiliated with the Harvard medical system. "According to the editors, every chapter in this 1600-page book has been revised to include more images, tables, and bulleted lists. Practical recommendations that incorporate the best available evidence and clinical best practices are listed in an easily readable format at the end of every chapter. The book is written in a practical, complete, and

straight-to-the-point design. This edition covers more than 200 of the chief complaints most commonly encountered in a primary care office. The book starts with a brief overview of primary care and an easily read review section on biostatistics and diagnostic tests. The book goes on to provide detailed sections discussing 14 organ systems but also discusses nonspecific common complaints such as fatigue and weight gain. "The system-based sections cover appropriate screening for the specific diseases affecting each system, followed by discussions of evaluation and management. Several sections also include individualized additions. For example, the "Respiratory Problems" section includes a "Smoking Cessation" chapter. One of my favorite features of this book is the annotated bibliography at the end of each section. "The book is intended to function not only as a reference tool for learners but also as a decision support tool for busy practitioners. This edition provides purchasers with access to the full searchable text online, so it can also be used as a Web-based electronic decision-making device at the point of care (purchasers of used copies cannot access the online edition). It is likewise an excellent reference for specialists devoting more of their time to primary care or who just want to brush up on a topic. I searched the online version and found it exceptionally easy to use. It will become one of my main reference sources in the office or for teaching students and residents. "Occasionally, readers will still want to pull out Harrison's Principles of Internal Medicine if they are looking for more extensive discussion of biochemical details, genetics, or ongoing research on a particular topic. The Web site is new and is quite usable. I still prefer UptoDate because of its multiple cross-references for every topic and its patient education materials that I can easily print and hand to patients; however, compared with other primary care books written for use in the office at the point of care, Primary Care Medicine is the one to own."-Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)

I bought my first copy of this book in when I was in graduate school in the Nurse Practitioner program at the University of Pennsylvania. A heroic thing, since it was predicted at that time that the role of the Nurse Practitioner would "disappear". This book was the required text for the program. I have continued to use this book because of how it approaches primary care. If you look at the Table of Contents, you will see that it is divided up into system problems. Then, it discusses screening, evaluation of a symptom and management of a diagnosis under each system. Under evaluation of a symptom, it comprehensively discusses differential diagnoses followed by History Questions and Physical Exam findings to look for during the evaluation of the symptom. I have simply found this to be a \*very\* helpful approach. As adjunct faculty now, I recommend this book to Nurse Practitioner and Medical students. I am always surprised they don't know about this book. It is simply the best

for \*primary care\*. I have purchased every edition of this book. I put the most recent in my office at home, the last edition in my office in the clinic and the edition before that at the nurses station at the hospital.

Was wary of a Harvard text book not being succinct and also afraid the ebook format would be problematic. This book is very helpful outlining standards of care relatively concisely. As far as the ebook format being a problem I have it on my iPhone where its very handy. Of course thumbing thru pages is harder in that format and I am considering getting a hard copy as well to use at home.

Good book.

For an office based physician this thoroughly updated and referenced text-book offers the best evidence based information in short time of turning fewer pages. I use it more than Harrison's text-book as it more SOAP related and better cross-referenced. The editors of this brand-book made current changes, making it state of the art standard-bearer of text-books for any practicing physician. Moreover, my money is well spent when I bought this from .com store that let be browse books before I buy and has Nordstrom like service that makes book buying a dream. Tariq Ahmed, MD MPH, Kirkland, Washington.

Love this book as a primary care physician. Highly recommended. I originally had an earlier edition and thoroughly enjoyed it. Makes for good reading as a review of problems encountered in the clinic. I usually supplement it with online searches such as Up To Date.

The most useful thing about this book is that a substantial part of it is organized by complaint rather than disease process. I mean, no one presents to your office and says "I have BPPV" or "I've had a vertebral artery dissection". Well, maybe if they've Googled it they could do that. A great book to go back to and read up on things, but not a quick and dirty reference.

I am a nursing student in grad school for nursing education. This book is suggested for our physical exam and differential diagnosis class. This book is very readable and really provides the view of the primary care provider. Excellent in every way! David RN

Good information, but separate chapters on diagnosis and treatment... that are not even adjacent to

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