



Internal Medicine Essentials for Clerkship Students

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Based upon student feedback, IM Essentials 2 contains twice as many color plates and algorithms as its predecessor and more than 100 extra tables to enhance learning (and passing tests!). An index now provides fuller subject access. The most exciting addition is the Book Enhancement section found at the end of each chapter. This section directs the reader to a book-related Web site that contains nearly 500 links to additional tables, algorithms, color plates, and patient care tools. The Book Enhancement section also identifies specific chapter-related self-assessment questions published in a separate companion book, MKSAP for Students 4.

The content of IM Essentials is based upon The Core Medicine Clerkship Curriculum Guide (available at www.im.org/CDIM), a nationally recognized curriculum for the required third-year internal medicine clerkship, created and published by the CDIM and the Society for General Internal Medicine. A collaboration of 66 authors, all of whom are either internal medicine clerkship directors or clerkship faculty, representing 45 different medical schools, IM Essentials 2 is unique in that it is created by faculty who helped design the internal medicine curriculum and who are actively involved in teaching and advising students on the internal medicine clerkship.