

Illustrated Field Guide to Congenital Heart Disease and Repair

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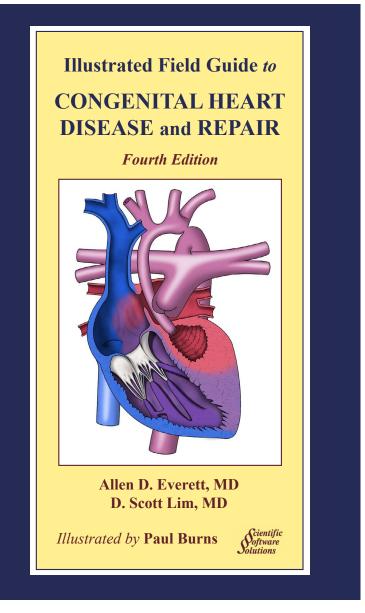
Well, maybe "no" to both! Keep reading please....

Scientific Software Solutions' *Illustrated Field Guide to Congenital Heart Disease and Repair* is extraordinary. This manual is comprehensive yet concise; organized intuitively according to actual practice of pediatric cardiology; and timely in all aspects (treatments, procedures, pharmacy, and ICU). It is truly a useful "lab coat reference" for cardiology fellows, residents, and medical students; and it is a great "hand carry" tool for pediatric cardiology nurses, physician assistants and technologists of all stripes. The *Field Guide* also provides numerous figures which attending cardiologists will find to be outstanding visual aids for teaching patients, families and students. You will want a hard copy.

The Field Guide provides content on the Normal and Fetal Heart, Congenital Heart Defects, Echocardiography, Catheterization Lab Interventions, Percutaneous Valve Insertion, Hybrid Therapies, Congenital Heart Surgeries, Cardiac ICU Topics, Electrophysiology, and Cardiac Pharmaceuticals. It includes a useful table giving the Guide's contents in detail. In this table, where applicable, individual topics are presented in alphabetical order (e.g., for Defects, Surgeries, and Pharmaceuticals). This allows readers to find topics of interest very quickly and efficiently.

"The facts, ma'am, just the facts." That's how I regard the text in this guide. For example, each of the common defects is described with brief paragraphs summarizing anatomy, pathophysiology and therapy. These descriptions are supplemented by simple, color-coded and labeled drawings which make the text very understandable. The common catheter interventions are outlined and illustrated with color figures, stills from angiograms and echocardiograms, and drawings of specialized catheters employed and/or devices implanted. Similarly, hybrid procedures and surgeries are described and illustrated by simple, labeled color figures. Evaluation and treatment of cardiac ICU patients and arrhythmias are also very well outlined and described using excellent figures which aid in understanding the concepts. The final chapter provides a practical reference about virtually all the pharmaceuticals currently used in cardiac care.

The Field Guide is not a comprehensive textbook of pediatric cardiology or pediatric heart surgery. Nor is it a sufficient reference for those who are learning to record and read echocardiograms or to perform cardiac catheterization. But, the Field Guide does describe virtually all of the important fundamentals of pediatric cardiology and heart surgery very well. If you know what's in the Field Guide, you will be literate in these fields, and you will be able to interact successfully with senior cardiac practitioners, the pediatric heart care team, heart patients and their families.



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