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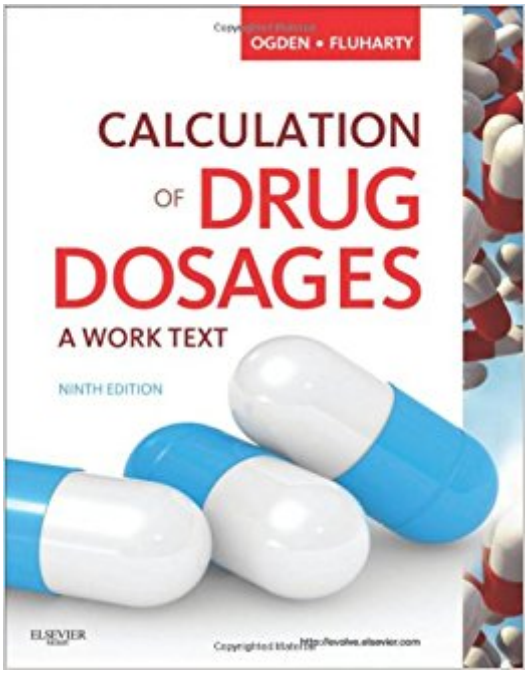

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Synopsis

Master the critical skills necessary to competently and confidently calculate drug dosages using Calculation of Drug Dosages. Written by Sheila J. Ogden, MSN, RN and Linda Fluharty, RNC, MSN, this updated 9th Edition provides you with an extensive review of essential math concepts before introducing and clearly explaining the ratio and proportion, formula, and dimensional analysis methods of drug calculation. The book’s popular "worktext" format builds on concepts as you go and reinforces what you learn with over 1,800 practice problems. Identify your strengths and weaknesses with an extensive math review, covering the basic math skills essential for accurate calculation of drug dosages.Use chapter worksheets to practice solving realistic problems.Assess your understanding of chapter content using post-tests at the end of each chapter. Retain content more easily and build on your prior knowledge through a logical organization. Get additional practice and accurately gauge your overall understanding with a comprehensive post-test at the end of the book.Stay focused with learning objectives that explain what you should accomplish upon completion of each chapter. Know the latest drugs and technology used in the market with updated drug labels and equipment photos.Study at your own pace with 25 flash cards, now on Evolve, containing abbreviations, formulas, and conversions from the book. Check your work and see your mistakes with a detailed step-by-step answer key. Tap into a new chapter on obstetric dosages that provides you with practice problems using medications unique to this important nursing subspecialty.Use alert boxes that call attention to information crucial to math calculation and patient safety.Stay current with new content on Intake and Output (I & O). Reduce medication errors and increase patient safety via updated guidelines for The Joint Commission and Institute for Safe Medication Practice.Recognize the implications of drug accuracy with more drug labels added to critical care practice problems.Access Evolve online resources where you’ll see 5-10 new practice problems related to each chapter and the new updated Drug Calculations Companion (Version 4), featuring an interactive student tutorial that includes an extensive menu of various topic areas within drug calculations such as oral, parenteral, pediatric, and intravenous calculations to name a few. And over 600 practice problems cover ratio-proportion, formula, and dimensional analysis methods.

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I like how much practice this book offers, however, I could not, for the life of me, figure out how they got the answers in the back of the book. I set up my calculations totally different, and found it rather frustrating when my results did not match with the back of the book answers. However, this work book offers a great opportunity for many different drug calculations that nurses will see in the clinical setting, and does a good job providing enough of the same problems to ensure the students get adequate practice, but not so many that the problems become redundant.

This is a required book for the nursing program that I am in. We must score a perfect score on our math exams to pass each class each semester. This book gives some wrong answers!! Not good when trying to learn! Also, whoever rented this book before me worked out each problem in the book. It’s hard to learn if the answer is right there in front of you. Guess that’s the price to pay for renting.

I purchased another dosage calculation book awhile back... but this book takes the cake! I found it to be extremely helpful and informative and I don’t learn math easily.

A lot of math books truly suck ass at explaining math stuff. This book is really simplified and to the point, which I love. It’s easy to understand, but you do need to have a familiar understanding of math foundation to bridge a few steps in some math. When I say familiar, it’s like knowing remembering to put in the calculator (2+3/4) for the equation 2 and 3/4 vs turning that into a improper fraction of 11/4 then doing the solution. Hopefully that makes sense.

Required text for nursing school. Examples are good. Teaches 2 ways of calculating doses. Our

instructor told us to ignore the ratio way of learning calculations and it was so much easier to do. If you like ratios better than this book is also for you. I will definitely use this book throughout nursing school to keep my skills of calculating doses up to speed.

My favorite dosage calc book! I have tried others, but come back to this one for its straightforward explanations, examples and exercises.

I rented this book to help with my drug calculations and it's a great book for nursing school to help learn different formulas. I may end up purchasing the book because it's so helpful.

If you need help with dosage calculations, this book is a decent resource--but if you have a basic understanding of chemistry and conversions, you probably will not need this book. This book was recommended for med calc for nursing school. I opened it once and briefly flipped through the first few chapters. It was a complete waste of money for me because I had taken organic and biochem and was very familiar with equations, calculations, and conversions. I passed med calc with no issues.

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