

"Pediatric Dentistry for Special Child"

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This book is perfectly edited by Priya Verma Gupta who is prominent pedodontist and experienced clinician of South Asia. Presently she is serving as Professor and Clinical Head of Suneedhi at Divya Jyoti College of Dental Science and Research, Modinagar, Uttar Pradesh, India. She has special attention to meet clinical needs for special child. She has authored three books and contributed actively to many books as coauthor and contributor.

"Disabled " does not mean worthless... it is never about productivity, it is about humanity—Crane (998). This lovely quote is the starting of the book " Pediatric Dentistry for Special Child".

This book is beautifully written, appropriately illustrated, and have a sensible arrangement and is so logically and simply laid out that it is easy to read and understand. This book can be used as a framework to organize knowledge on clinical dentistry for special child. It appears to be designed for dental students, pediatric dentistry residents, faculties, researchers and the dentists interested to work for special child.

The editor has assembled carefully the book in eight sections according to the type of special need and each section is further subdivided to properly present the different challenges. In second section intellectual challenges briefly described; then the next sections physical, medical, genetic and emotional challenges discussed chronologically. In last section, Pharmacological Behaviour Management stated perfectly which is really important for special child management. Due to physical and mental disability common oral manifestation and their management are described with adequate detail . Printing quality and pictorial arrangement is good.

I feel that this book is a useful guide for pediatric dentistry and also have a considerable value to refresh knowledge for management of special child in dentistry.

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'Nitrous Oxide in Paediatric Dentistry: A Clinical Handbook ' (First Ed. 2020)

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Firstly, it was an absolute delight to come across a book dedicated to the use of nitrous oxide in children for dental procedures as there are very few in the market. The editors of this book are Kunal Gupta, Dimitrios Emmanouil, Amit Sethi, all of whom have vast experience working with nitrous oxide in dental operator. It is available in both a hard copy and as an e-book. Both versions are complemented by electronic supplementary which is available for most chapters. On top of that, readers are treated to a gallery of clinical photographs and images which make the reading an enjoyable one.

I was particularly impressed by the first chapter which takes an in-depth look at fear and anxiety. I strongly believe that the proper understanding of anxiety is necessary and the topic has been well covered. The technical aspects of equipment handling and maintenance has also been given due coverage and importance. The authors have taken the trouble to address what could go wrong during sedation and they have provided a trouble-shooting guide for quick reference. There is a chapter dedicated to the use of nitrous oxide in children with special health care needs. Another aspect which caught my attention was the section on personnel and team building. This section looks at the role of each team member and how to conduct a session responsibly and safely. I personally thought that this is a very important area which is often overlooked in most textbooks.

On the whole, the chapters are well structured and provide a well-balanced outlook in terms of knowledge and clinical tips. It has nailed the aspect of communication in children and outlines a step-by-step approach for children based on their different behaviors. My final verdict is that this book provides comprehensive guide to nitrous oxide sedation which is a 'must have' for specialists, postgraduates and essentially any dentist who work with children.

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