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36 Pressure ulcers: A renewed awareness

By Sharon Baranoski, RN, APN, CWOCN, MSN, FAAN

Wake up to what all nurses need to know about pressure ulcers. Read about evidence-based initiatives for preventing and managing these debilitating wounds to make sure you're meeting current patient-care standards.

56 New drugs06, part II

By Daniel A. Hussar, PhD

Here's what you need to know to safely administer eight recently approved drugs.



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7 Nursing2006 infection control survey

By Kim M. Delahanty, RN, CIC, PHN, BSN, MBA, and Frank Edward Myers III, CIC, CPHQ, MA

How savvy are nurses about infection control standards and practices? Take a moment to fill out this survey. We'll report the results in a future issue.

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By Constance Captain, RN, PhD

Don't be afraid to ask him. In this practical article, you'll learn how to assess for suicidal thoughts and behavior and intervene effectively.

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By Linda Laskowski-Jones, RN, APRN, BC, CCRN, CEN, MS

Helping someone with a sprained ankle? See how to assess the injury at the scene and apply the right treatments to manage pain and swelling.

50 Helping patients who need a permanent pacemaker

By John Cotter, RN, APRN, BC, CCRN, MS; Marcia Bixby, RN, APRN, BC, CCRN, MS; and Belinda Morse, RN, MSN

This concise update captures the facts about permanent pacemakers, including who may need one and how to care for a patient before and after implantation.

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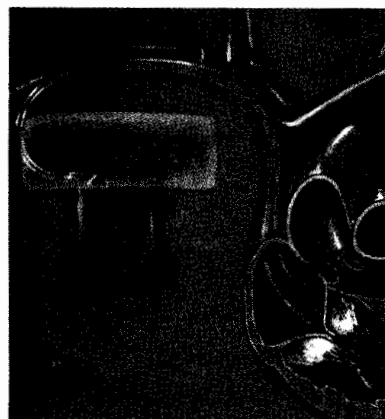
By Joyce Seabolt, LPN

Dealing with Mr. Peale was a challenge...until I saw how much we had in common.

80 ACTION STAT Acute adrenal crisis

By Ellen Pfadt, RN, CEN, PhD (C), and Dorothy S. Carlson, RN, DED

Act fast to help a patient in crisis after discontinuing steroid therapy.



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