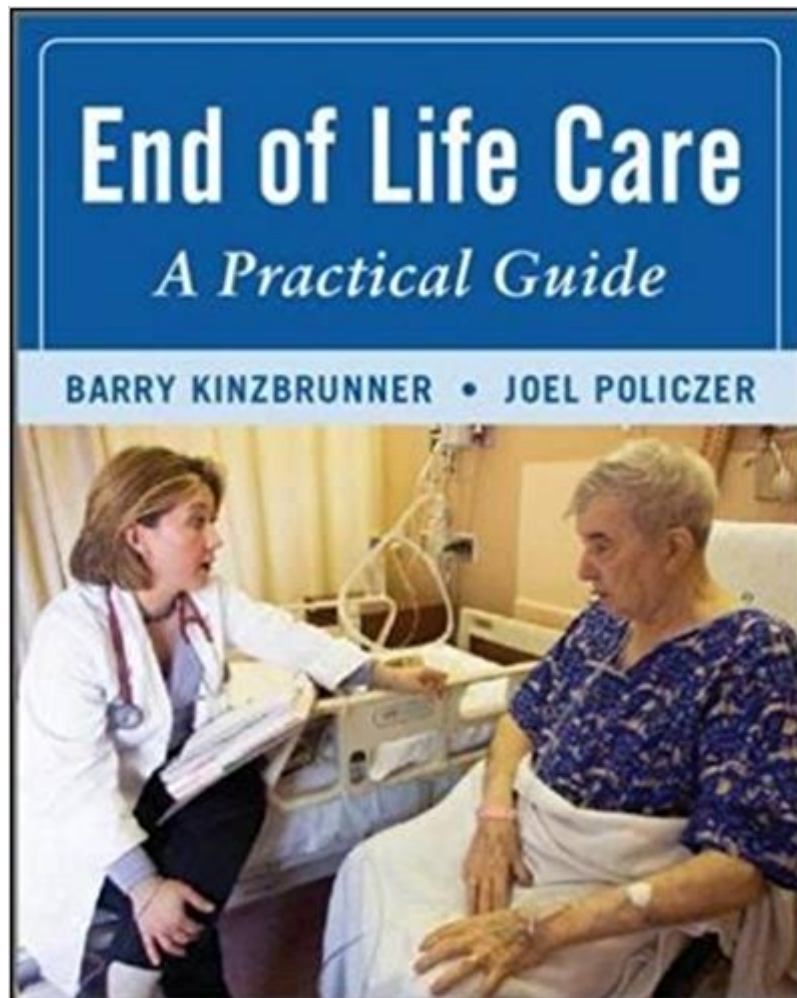




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Very detailed for the major hospice diagnoses as far as treatment, symptom relief, potential problems go, There is just enough of the emotional education to be appropriate but the physical issues has the appropriate emphasis with the emotional aspect secondary as it should be. Should be a must read for nurses in this field.

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