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Control of Communicable Diseases Manual, 20th Edition Every chapter updated, and most benefitting from parallel updated by international experts, at both, CDC and WHO, priority has been given to ensuring global relevance. New disease variants have been included and some chapters have been fundamentally reworked. The 20th edition is a timely update to a milestone reference work that ensures the relevance and usefulness to every public health professional around the world. "Since 2008 we have seen an explosion in infectious diseases of international concern. In 2009 we had the H1N1 pandemic. In 2012 a new, highly fatal coronavirus named Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) was first reported out of Saudi Arabia. And as we go to press, an old foe Ebola is creating the largest epidemic of Ebola virus disease (EVD) in human history. All 3 of these cases reinforce the need for health practitioners to have an expert guide in the use of sound infection control practices. This new version of Control of Communicable Diseases Manual (CCDM), the 20th revision of this 96-year-old favorite of the health community, is now available to address these important concerns." From the Forward - Georges C. Benjamin, MD, Executive Director, American Public Health Association

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I’ve used this book for years in multiple countries around the world. It continues to make me look smarter than I really am. It’s an amazing overview resource with a size that can be placed in a cargo
pocket.

The text itself is good, but the composition of the book itself is pretty poor. It looks like someone slapped some glue onto several pages and hoped the cover would stay on. It came in with about 60% of the cover already coming off, and the other 40% had so much glue that many other pages are stuck to each other near the edge of the binding. I feel like it will fall apart if I try to open the book more than 60 degrees.

Compared to the previous version, this version is under my expectation. I expected to get more information about Ebola, especially the assessment of evidence based practices in prevention of EDV, such as development of new vaccine, new prophylaxis, as well as treatment. The layout of text on paper is very tight with narrow margins. Moreover, there is no enough figures and tables to demonstrate epidemiological data to show evidence from the field. Regardless to those limitations, this manual is very important reference for those who work in the field of epidemiology and disease prevention.

Great little manual - I am using it as a reference for students in an Infectious Disease Epidemiology course that I am teaching. It is an excellent concise resource for students and professionals in the field.

Absolutely amazing! This book has always been the bible for any public health practitioner specializing in infectious diseases.

Very informative, only wish it was bigger.

Excellent handbook to use at a glance

It is like the "bible" for infectious disease epidemiology. The book is like a dictionary for every infectious disease, showing the clinical features, diagnosis, prevention, transmission etc.

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