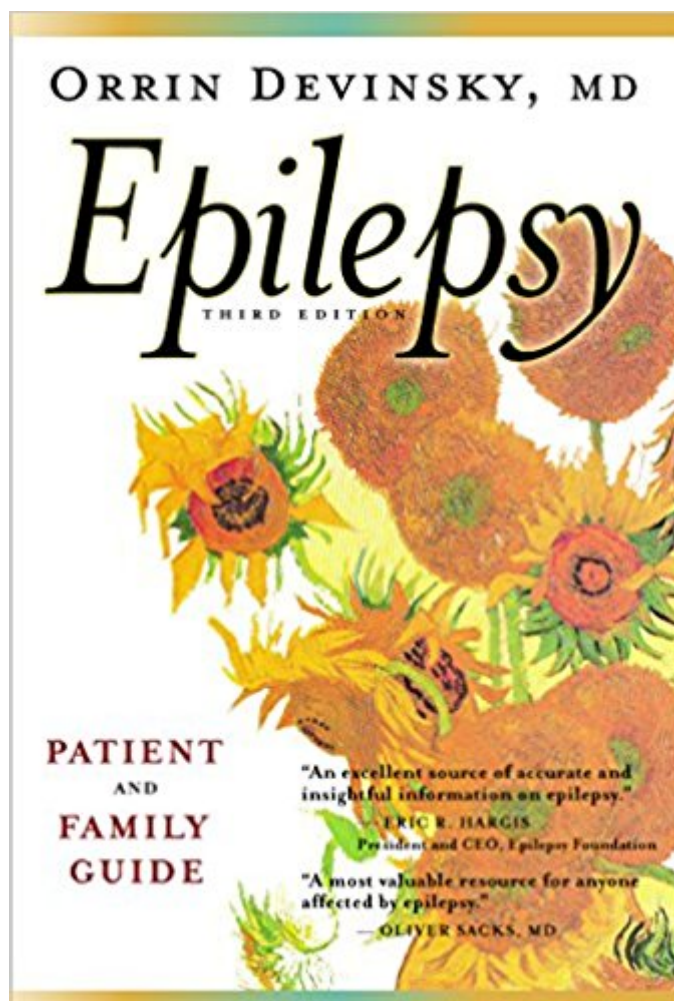


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Epilepsy is the most common neurologic disorder in children, adults, and the elderly, affecting over 2.7 million people in the United States. Every year almost 200,000 people will be diagnosed with epilepsy and will face drastic lifestyle changes but a proper understanding of epilepsy is the first step toward managing this disease and living life to the fullest. *Epilepsy: Patient and Family Guide*, 3rd Edition offers a comprehensive and authoritative discussion of epilepsy for the patient. Written by a leading expert in the field, this extensively updated third edition incorporates many comments and suggestions from real patients and their families. This guide will answer commonly asked questions about epilepsy, dispel uncertainties and fears, and encourage those diagnosed with epilepsy to become strong advocates in their medical care. Ideal for patients or parents of children with epilepsy, this book discusses: The nature and diversity of seizures The factors that can cause or prevent seizures The most current information about all antiepileptic drugs Medical, surgical, and alternative therapies for seizures Legal, financial, and employment issues *Epilepsy: Patient and Family Guide*, 3rd Edition is an authoritative, go-to resource for all aspects of life with epilepsy."

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A really informative book. This was a great resource for me when epilepsy first became a part of our lives. Written in simple terms that are easy to understand and works as a good reference tool when trying to access new-to-you information. The author is one of the doctors at the practice we go to as well and is a really well known expert in the epilepsy field.

has a number of books about epilepsy, but I chose this one because it was pertinent to an adult just beginning to learn about the disease. I sent this book to my 30-year old grandson who has been diagnosed with epilepsy recently. He reports that with the clear and well-organized information in this book, he now can engage his neurologist in intelligent questions and conversations. The learning provided by this book has removed a lot of his initial panic and stress. Because the doctor

now knows that his patient is knowledgeable, he spends more time discussing the details of the disease with him.

For anyone with epilepsy this is a treasure trove of information they are unlikely to have gleaned in such detail even from the most helpful of medical practitioners. The book addresses all aspects of epilepsy - types, possible causes, social impacts, medications, possible surgeries - in language that can be understood by all but without dumbing-down. It is written for the USA, but was easily adaptable for us in Australia. Indispensable.

Informative and helpful in understanding the current treatments for epilepsy.

A comprehensive coverage of epilepsy. The book covers most aspects of living with epilepsy from childhood through to old age. If you know someone close to you who has seizures it is disturbing. I felt the coverage of syndromes was too brief as this is a very important in understanding the problem.

As a patient who suffers from epilepsy, this book has come in very handy. I decided to read the book from start to finish (still working through it) to get an all around understanding epilepsy and the different types of seizures. I find myself reading the book more when I am having bad days because I think it gives a sense of hope and I know that I am not alone.

This is a very informative book I am learning a lot and it has helped me to know what type of seizures my husband is having. Since the person with epilepsy often does not know what happens during a seizure this book will help you to identify and explain to the doctor what happened in plain English and not "doctor" vocabulary.

In clear and simple terms gives an overview of epilepsy covering medical social and psychological and developmental aspects of a person's life as well as links and alternative therapies

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