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"The beauty of this book is the authors' ability to condense volumes of information into a manageable format without shortchanging readers. The chapter with instructions on performing ECT is excellent, and the patient information and consent forms in the appendixes are particularly valuable. This will be a useful reference for anyone involved in the referral for or treatment of psychiatrically ill patients with ECT."-- "Doody Enterprises, Inc., Steven T. Herron, M.D.", "August 2010"

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