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Preface

In the 10 years since *Introduction to Ultrasonography and Patient Care* was first published, sweeping changes in ultrasound technology, the delivery of health care, and the practice of diagnostic ultrasound have occurred. To respond to this changing world, change has come to sonography education as well.

This second edition reflects a significant makeover in response to those needs. In addition to a new look on the cover is a new title. Inside are updated and expanded chapters on sonographer safety; legal, ethical, and legislative issues; current sonographic protocols; and basic patient care. Each chapter begins with a list of general objectives and key terms designed to help readers best understand the material. At the end of each chapter, bibliographic references offer direction to those seeking a more in-depth exploration of a given topic.

To help ease students into the working profession, new information on applying and interviewing for positions and understanding the hospital and nonhospital opportunities available to them have been added. The appendices contain an updated glossary, an abbreviated list of Spanish phrases useful in communicating with imaging patients, a list of laboratory tests specific to various clinical ultrasound specialties, and important regulatory practices regarding patient care and safety.

One sad note among all of this exciting change and promise for the future is the realization that the gains of the past extracted a severe toll on the health of many veteran sonographers. Their bittersweet legacy is already paving the way for current and future sonographers to enjoy their chosen profession without fear of career-ending injuries. We are all deeply indebted to them.

It is my hope that those who use this book find it helpful in enjoying safe, successful, and rewarding careers as diagnostic medical sonographers.

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Basic, need-to-know information for classroom and clinic!

This book will help you succeed, whether you're a beginning student or a practicing sonographer. For students, it covers important terminology, ultrasound technology, and the sonographer's role on the medical team. It also covers study techniques such as note taking, effective listening, and test-taking strategies. For the practitioner and the student entering the clinical environment, it offers step-by-step descriptions of basic medical procedures and patient care, showing how to safely perform procedures and how to interact with patients in a clinical setting. This book also prepares students for the transition into practice—covering expectations in various clinical settings, continuing education, sonography specialties, and career options.

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