The most valuable texts of 2013, as chosen by AJN’s panel of judges.

ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSING

Chosen by Luc R. Pelletier, MSN, APRN, PMHCNS-BC, CPHQ, FNAHQ, FAAN, administrative liaison, Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital, and core adjunct faculty, National University, San Diego.

1. Outcome Assessment in Advanced Practice Nursing

2. Financial and Business Management for the Doctor of Nursing Practice

3. Holistic Nursing: A Handbook for Practice

CHILD HEALTH

Chosen by Mary Anne Gallagher, MA, RN-BC, director, Patient Care Services, Continuum Health Partners, Beth Israel Medical Center, New York City.

1. Teen Suicide Risk: A Practitioner Guide to Screening, Assessment, and Management

2. Nursing Care of the Pediatric Surgical Patient
By Nancy Tkacz Browne, Laura M. Flanigan, Carmel A. McComiskey, and Pam Pieper. 3rd edition. Burlington, MA, Jones and Bartlett Learning.

3. Maternal-Newborn Nursing Care: Best Evidence-Based Practices

COMMUNITY–PUBLIC HEALTH

Chosen by Barbara Glickstein, MPH, MS, RN, codirector, Center for Health, Media and Policy at Hunter College, City University of New York.

1. Contemporary Health Promotion in Nursing Practice
By Bonnie Raingruber. Burlington, MA, Jones and Bartlett Learning.

2. Disaster Nursing and Emergency Preparedness for Chemical, Biological, and Radiological Terrorism and Other Hazards

Edited by Mary De Chesnay. New York City, Springer Publishing Company.

CONSUMER HEALTH

Chosen by Mary K. Walton, MSN, MBE, RN, director, Patient and Family Centered Care, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia.

1. In the Shadows: How to Help Your Seriously Ill Adult Child
By Patricia Ringos Beach and Beth E. White. Pittsburgh, PA, Hygeia Media, an imprint of the Oncology Nursing Society.

By Janet Yagoda Shagam. Amherst, NY, Prometheus Books.

3. Smart but Scattered Teens: The “Executive Skills” Program for Helping Teens Reach Their Potential

To read the judges’ descriptions of all of these books, go to: http://links.lww.com/AJN/A54.
CRITICAL CARE—EMERGENCY NURSING

Chosen by Christopher A. Vanfosson, MSN/MHA, MMAS, RN, nurse manager, Burn Progressive Care Unit, U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research and San Antonio Military Medical Center, Joint Base, San Antonio, TX. The opinions are the judge’s and do not represent an endorsement or the approval of the U.S. government, the Department of Defense, or the U.S. Army.

1. Pass CCRN!

2. Where Night Is Day: The World of the ICU

3. Critical Care Nursing: Diagnosis and Management

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Chosen by Ruth McDermott-Levy, PhD, RN, assistant professor, Villanova University, Villanova, PA.

1. Disaster Nursing and Emergency Preparedness for Chemical, Biological, and Radiological Terrorism and Other Hazards

ELECTRONIC MEDIA

Diane M. Billings, EdD, RN, FAAN, chancellor’s professor emeritus, Indiana University School of Nursing, Indianapolis, the judge for this category, selected no winners this year.

INFANTILE TECHNOLOGY/INFORMATICS

Chosen by Patricia A. Abbott, PhD, RN, FAAN, associate professor, University of Michigan School of Nursing, Ann Arbor.

1. Health Informatics: An Interprofessional Approach

2. Simulation Scenarios for Nursing Educators: Making It Real

GERONTOLOGIC NURSING

Mara Aronson, MS, RN, GCNS-BC, CPHQ, FASCR, president, consultant, and educator, AGE: Association for Gerontologic Education, Exeter, NH, the judge for this category, selected no winners this year.

HISTORY AND PUBLIC POLICY

Chosen by Patricia A. Connor Ballard, PhD, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, assistant dean and assistant professor, Eleanor Wade Custer School of Nursing, Shenandoah University, Winchester and Leesburg, VA.

1. Exploring Rituals in Nursing: Joining Art and Science

2. Nursing Leadership from the Outside In

MATERNAL—CHILD NURSING/CHILDBIRTHING

Chosen by Patricia Robin McCartney, PhD, RNC-OB, FAAN, director of nursing research, MedStar Washington Hospital Center, Washington, DC.

1. Perinatal Nursing

2. Best Practices in Midwifery: Using the Evidence to Implement Change

3. Neonatal Skin Care: Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guideline
   By the Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses. 3rd edition. Washington, DC, Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses.
### MEDICAL–SURGICAL NURSING

Chosen by Margo A. Halm, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, FAHA, director of nursing research, Professional Practice and Magnet, Salem Hospital, Salem, OR.

1. **Toxic Nursing: Managing Bullying, Bad Attitudes, and Total Turmoil**  
   By Cheryl Dellasega and Rebecca L. Volpe.  
   Indianapolis, IN, Sigma Theta Tau International.

### NURSING RESEARCH

Chosen by Barbara J. Holtzclaw, PhD, RN, FAAN, associate dean for research, College of Nursing, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center, Oklahoma City.

1. **Middle Range Theory for Nursing**  

### NURSING EDUCATION/CONTINUING EDUCATION

Chosen by Karen H. Morin, DSN, RN, ANEF, FAAN, professor of nursing, director of the PhD program, University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee.

1. **Strengths-Based Nursing Care: Health and Healing for Person and Family**  

### PALLIATIVE CARE AND HOSPICE

Chosen by Betty Ferrell, PhD, FAAN, FPCN, professor, City of Hope Medical Center, Duarte, CA.

1. **Cancer Symptom Management**  

### NURSING MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

Chosen by Beth Glassford, MSHA, RN, FACHE, field director/consultant, Joint Commission Resources, Oak Brook, IL.

1. **Toxic Nursing: Managing Bullying, Bad Attitudes, and Total Turmoil**  
   By Cheryl Dellasega and Rebecca L. Volpe.  
   Indianapolis, IN, Sigma Theta Tau International.
2. Treatment of Complex Trauma: A Sequenced, Relationship-Based Approach  