**Peer Recommended Reading**

*Final Exam: A Surgeon’s Reflections on Mortality*  
Author: Pauline E. Chen

A brilliant young transplant surgeon brings moral intensity and narrative drama to the most powerful and vexing questions of medicine and the human condition. When Pauline Chen began medical school twenty years ago, she dreamed of saving lives. What she did not count on was how much death would be a part of her work. Almost immediately, Chen found herself wrestling with medicine’s most profound paradox, that a profession premised on caring for the ill also systematically depersonalizes dying. Final Exam follows Chen over the course of her education, training, and practice as she grapples at strikingly close range with the problem of mortality, and struggles to reconcile the lessons of her training with her innate knowledge of shared humanity, and to separate her ideas about healing from her fierce desire to cure. Chen’s transfixing and beautiful rumination on how doctors negotiate the ineluctable fact of death becomes, in the end, a brilliant questioning of how we should live. Moving and provocative, motored equally by clinical expertise and extraordinary personal grace, this is a piercing and compassionate journey into the heart of a world that is hidden and yet touches all of our lives.

*Cutting for Stone*  
Author: Abraham Verghese

A sweeping, emotionally riveting novel—an enthralling family saga of Africa and America, doctors and patients, exile and home. Marion and Shiva Stone are twin brothers born of a secret union between a beautiful Indian nun and a brash British surgeon at a mission hospital in Addis Ababa. Orphaned by their mother’s death in childbirth and their father’s disappearance, bound together by a preternatural connection and a shared fascination with medicine, the twins come of age as Ethiopia hovers on the brink of revolution. Yet it will be love, not politics that will tear them apart and force Marion, fresh out of medical school, to flee his homeland. He makes his way to America, finding refuge in his work as an intern at an underfunded, overcrowded New York City hospital. When the past catches up to him—nearly destroying him—Marion must entrust his life to the two men he thought he trusted least in the world: the surgeon father who abandoned him and the brother who betrayed him. An unforgettable journey into one man’s remarkable life, and an epic story about the power, intimacy, and curious beauty of the work of healing others.

*Another Day in the Frontal Lobe: A Brain Surgeon Exposes Life on the Inside*  
Author: Katrina Firlik

Katrina Firlik is a neurosurgeon, one of only two hundred or so women among the alpha males who dominate this high-pressure, high-prestige profession. She is also a superbly gifted writer—witty, insightful, at once deeply humane and refreshingly wry. Dr. Firlik draws on this rare combination to create a unique memoir of her compelling experiences. From OR theatrics to thorny ethical questions, from the surprisingly primitive tools in a neurosurgeon’s kit to glimpses of future techniques like the “brainlift”, Firlik cracks open medicine’s most distinguished and secretive specialty. Candid, smart, clear-eyed, and showcasing vivid portrayals of Firlik’s most memorable cases, Another Day in the Frontal Lobe is a mesmerizing glimpse into a world of incredible competition and incalculable rewards.
Complications: A Surgeon’s Notes on an Imperfect Science  Author: Atul Gawande

Sometimes in medicine the only way to know what is truly going on in a patient is to operate, to look inside with one’s own eyes. This book is exploratory surgery on medicine itself, lying bare a science not in its idealized form but as it actually is—complicated, perplexing, and profoundly human. Atul Gawande offers an unflinching view from the scalpel’s edge, where science is ambiguous, information in limited, the stakes are high, yet decisions must be made. In dramatic and revealing stories of patients and doctors, he explores how deadly mistakes occur and why good surgeons go bad. And in a richly detailed portrait of both the people and the science, Gawande also ponders the human factor that makes saving lives possible. At once tough-minded and humane, Complications is a new kind of medical writing, nuanced and lucid, unafraid to confront the conflicts and uncertainties that lie at the heart of modern medicine, yet always alive to the possibilities of wisdom in the extraordinary endeavor.

Incidental Findings  Author: Danielle Ofri

These fifteen intertwined tales follow acclaimed physician and award-winning writer Danielle Ofri as she travels beyond the walls of New York’s legendary Bellevue Hospital to rural communities, small towns, and eventually back to hectic, challenging world of inner-city medicine. Along the way, she deals with the pitfalls and triumphs of the daily world of medical practice. In the course of treating patients—whether range from the terminally ill to manipulative hypochondriacs from veiled Bangladeshi women to convicted felons—Ofri comes to understand that the most important tool in the trade of healing is literally and figuratively the act of reaching out to the patients, of treating patients with empathy and compassion, of looking beyond the illness to see the whole person, their family, and their world.

Stiff: The Curious Lives of Human Cadavers  Author: Mary Roach

Roach, a Salon and Reader’s Digest columnist, has done the nearly impossible and written a book as informative and respectful as it is irreverent and witty. She’s taking a unique approach to issues surrounding death. Roach delves into the many productive uses to which cadavers have been put, from medical experimentation to applications in transportation safety research to work by forensic scientists quantifying rates of decay under a wide array of bizarre circumstances. Roach has a fabulous eye and a wonderful voice as she describes such macabre situations as a plastic surgery seminar with doctors practicing face-lifts on decapitated human heads and her trip to China in search of the cannibalistic dumpling makers.

Middlesex  Author: Jeffrey Eugenides

So begins the breathtaking story of Calliope Stephanides and three generations of the Greek-American Stephanides family who travel from a tiny village overlooking Mount Olympus in Asia Minor to Prohibition-era Detroit, witnessing its glory days as the Motor City, and the race riots of 1967, before they move out to the tree-lined streets of suburban Grosse Pointe, Michigan. To understand why Calliope is not like other girls, she has to uncover a guilty family secret and the astonishing genetic history that turns Callie into Cal, one of the most audacious and wondrous narrators in contemporary fiction. Lyrical and thrilling, Middlesex is an exhilarating reinvention of the American epic.
**Caring for the Country**  
Author: Howard Rabinowitz

This distinct book profiles ten graduates from the Physician Shortage Area Program (PSAP) of Jefferson Medical College who are now practicing family medicine in small rural towns, Author Howard K. Rabinowitz, MD, Director of the PSAP, invites pre-med undergraduates, medical students, residents, and family Physicians to read compelling stories of these doctors, who enjoy rich and fulfilling relationships with their patients and their communities. Providing important insights for those interested in addressing the rural physician shortage, and an excellent recourse for pre-med and medical advisors, the text brings into focus the true calling of medicine-making a difference by helping others. In depth profiles reveal the everyday reality of practicing family medicine in small towns through poignant stories and candid dialogue. They cover the spectrum of social and professional issues that rural family doctors face, addressing topics such as the scope of rural family practice, the roles of medical schools and hospital systems, health care policy, rural obstetrics, and telemedicine.

**The Real Life of a Pediatrician**  
Author: Perri Klass

When children are ill, so much can be at stake. The Real Life of a Pediatrician spotlights the doctors who have devoted their careers to treating the littlest patients. From medical students to experienced doctors, from private practitioners to emergency room specialists, these doctors share the unique joys and challenges of pediatrics. In The Real Life of a Pediatrician, renowned pediatrician and writer Perri Klass introduces a compelling candid collection of stories from these specialists. Whether you’re a pediatrician yourself, are considering the medical field as a career, or are simply interested in the doctors who treat our children, this collection of stories offer unprecedented insight into the everyday lives of these caregivers. Sometimes heartbreaking, always candid, these fascinating first-person narratives highlight the intersection of the professional and the personal.

**Better: A Surgeon’s Notes on Performance**  
Author: Atul Gawande

All Premedical The struggle to perform well is universal: each one of us faces fatigue, limited resources, and imperfect abilities in whatever we do. But nowhere is this drive to do better more important than in medicine, where lives are on the line with every decision. In his new book, Atul Gawande explores how doctors strive to close the gap between best intentions and best performance in the face of obstacles that sometimes seem insurmountable.

**Something For The Pain**  
Author: Paul Austin

In this eye-opening account of life in the ER, Paul Austin recalls how the daily grind of long, erratic shifts and endless hordes of patients with sad stories sent him down a path of bitterness and cynicism. Gritty, powerful, and ultimately redemptive, Something for the Pain is a revealing glimpse into the fragility of compassion and sanity in the industrial setting of today’s hospitals.
Critical  Author: Robin Cook

Angela Dawson, M.D., appears to have it all at age thirty-seven, she owns a fabulous New York City apartment and a stunning seaside house on Nantucket, and enjoys the perks of her prosperous lifestyle. But her climb to the top has been rough, marked by a troubled childhood, a failed marriage, and devastating blow of bankruptcy as a primary-care internist. Painfully aware of the role of economics in the health-care field, Angela returns to school to earn an MBA. Armed with a shiny new degree and blessed with the tenacity, intelligence, and impeccable timing, Angela funds a start-up, Angela’s Healthcare, and then prepares to take it public. Angela is on the verge of seeing her ambitions fulfilled, but then a surge of drug-resistant staph infections in all three hospitals devastates Angela’s world. Not only do the infections result in deaths of patients, but the fatalities cause a serious cash-flow problem, which puts her company’s imminent IPO in jeopardy. New York City medical examiners Laurie Montgomery and Jack Stapleton are naturally intrigued by the uptick in staph-related post-procedure deaths at the three hospitals. Aside from their own professional curiosity, there’s a personal stake as well: they are newly married, and Jack is facing surgery to repair a torn ACL at Angels Orthopedic Hospital. Despite Jack’s protest, Laurie can’t help investigating—thus opening a Pandora’s box of corporate intrigue that threatens not just her livelihood, but her life and Jack’s as well.

The Hot Zone  Author: Richard Preston

A highly infectious, deadly virus from the central African rain forest suddenly appears in the suburbs of Washington, D.C. There is no cure. In a few days, 90 percent of its victims are dead. A secret Military SWAT team of soldiers and scientists is mobilized to stop the outbreak of this exotic “hot” virus. The Hot Zone tells this dramatic story, giving a hair-raising account of the appearance of rare and lethal viruses and their “crashes” into the human race. Shocking, frightening, and impossible to ignore, The Hot Zone proves that truth really is scarier than fiction.

My Own Country: A Doctor’s Story  Author: Abraham Verghese

Working in Johnson City was Abraham Verghese, a young Indian doctor specializing in infectious diseases. Dr. Verghese became by necessity the local AIDS expert, soon besieged by a shocking number of male and female patients whose stories came to occupy his mind, and even take over his life. Out of his experience comes a startling but ultimately uplifting portrait of the American heartland as it confronts—and surmounts—its deepest prejudices and fears.

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks  Author: Rebecca Skloot

Her name was Henrietta Lacks, but scientists know her as HeLa. She was a poor Southern tobacco farmer who worked the same land as her slave ancestors, yet her cells—taken without her knowledge—became one of the most important tools in medicine. The first “immortal” human cells grown in culture, they are still alive today, though she has been dead for more than sixty years. Yet Henrietta Lacks remains virtually unknown, buried in an unmarked grave. Intimate in feeling, astonishing in scope, and impossible to put down, The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks captures the beauty and drama of scientific discovery, as well as its human consequences.
**How Doctors Think**  
*Author: Jerome Groopman*

On average, a physician will interrupt a patient describing her symptoms within eighteen seconds. In that short time, many doctors decide on the likely diagnosis and best treatment. Often, decisions made this way are correct, but at crucial moments they can also be wrong—with catastrophic consequences. Groopman explores why doctors err and shows when and how they can—with our help—avoid snap judgments, embrace uncertainty, communicate effectively, and deploy other skills that can profoundly impact our health. How Doctors Think reveals a profound new view of twenty-first-century medical practice, giving doctors and patients the vital information they need to make better judgments together.

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**The Scalpel and the Silver Bear**  
*Author: Lori Arviso Alvord*

The first Navajo woman surgeon combines western medicine and traditional healing. A spellbinding journey between two worlds, this remarkable book describes surgeon Lori Arviso Alvord’s struggles to bring modern medicine to the Navajo reservation in Gallup, New Mexico. Dr. Alvord left a dusty reservation in New Mexico for Stanford University Medical School, becoming the first Navajo woman surgeon. Rising above the odds presented by her own culture and the male-dominated world of surgeons, she returned to the reservation to find a new challenge. In dramatic encounters, Dr. Alvord witnessed the power of belief to influence health, for good or for ill. She came to merge the latest breakthroughs of medical science with the ancient tribal paths to recovery and wellness, following the Navajo philosophy of a balanced and harmonious life. And now, in bringing these principles to the world of medicine whose ideas have changed medical practices—and our understanding of the world.

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**My Sister’s Keeper**  
*Author: Jodi Picoult*

Anna is not sick, but she might as well be. By age thirteen, she has undergone countless surgeries, transfusions, and shots so that her older sister, Kate, can somehow fight her leukemia that has plagued her since childhood. The product of preimplantation genetic diagnosis. Anna was conceived as a bone marrow match for Kate—a life and a role that she has never challenged... until now. Like most teenagers, she has always been defined in terms of her sister—and so Anna makes a decision that for most would be unthinkable, a decision that will tear her family apart and have perhaps fatal consequences for the sister she loves. A provocative novel that raises some important ethical issues My Sister’s Keeper is the story of one family’s struggle at all human costs and a stunning moral parable for all time.

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**Three Cups of Tea**  
*Author: Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin*

In 1993 a mountaineer named Greg Mortenson drifted into an impoverished Pakistan village in the Karakoram Mountains after a failed attempt to climb K2. Moved by the inhabitants’ kindness, he promised to return and build a school. Three cups of Tea is the story of that promise and its extraordinary outcome. Over the next decade Mortenson built not just one but fifty-five schools—especially for girls—in the forbidding terrain that gave birth to the Taliban. His story is at once a riveting adventure and a testament to the power of the humanitarian spirit.
Intern  Author: Sandeep Jauhar

*Intern* is Dr. Sandeep Jauhar’s story of his days and nights in residency at a prominent teaching hospital in New York City, a trial that led him to question every conventional assumption about doctors and medicine—and that makes him an ideal figure to speak to our own misgivings about doctors and medicine today. Now a thriving cardiologist, Sandeep Jauhar has all the qualities you’d want in your own doctor: expertise, insight, a feel for the human factor, a sense of humor, and a keen awareness of the worries that we all have in common. His beautifully written, deeply felt memoir explains how he and his fellow interns survived—and explains the inner workings of modern medicine as no guidebook or magazine article can.

Gifted Hands  Author: Ben Carson

Ben Carson, M.D., works medical miracles. Today, he’s one of the most celebrated neurosurgeons in the world. In *Gifted Hands*, he tells of his inspiring odyssey from his childhood in inner-city Detroit to his position as director of pediatric neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital at age 33. Ben Carson is a role model for anyone who attempts the seemingly impossible as he takes you into the operating room where he has saved countless lives. Filled with fascinating case histories, this is the dramatic and intimate story of Ben Carson’s struggle to beat the odds—and of the faith and genius that make him one of the greatest life-givers of the century.

What Patients Taught Me: A Medical Student’s Journey  Author: Audrey Young

Do sleek high-tech hospitals teach more about medicine and less about humanity? Do doctors ever lose their tolerance for suffering? With sensitive observation and graceful prose, this book explores some of the difficult and deeply personal questions a 23-year-old doctor confronts with her very first dying patient, and continues to struggle with as she strives to become a good doctor. In her travels, the doctor attends to terminal illness, AIDS, tuberculosis, and premature birth in small rural communities throughout the world.

On Becoming a Doctor  Author: Tania Heller

Becoming a doctor is so much more than acing your MCATs, living through med school, then getting the perfect residency. It is a career that demands long hours on little to no sleep, constant continuing education, and a tough decision about which of the many types of medicine you want to practice. But with the right guide, you can make the right choices each step of the way. *On Becoming a Doctor* calmly and thoroughly walks you through each academic, physical, and emotional step you’ll take on your way to a successful career in medicine, and it includes interviews with many different specialists to help you choose a medical path.
On Call: A Doctor’s Days and Nights in Residency  
Author: Emily R. Transue

On Call begins with a newly-minted doctor checking in for her first day of residency—wearing the long white coat of an MD and being called "Doctor" for the first time. Dr. Emily Transue arrives in Seattle to start her internship in Internal Medicine just after graduating from medical school. This series of loosely interconnected scenes from the author's medical training concludes her residency three years later. She began to record her experiences as she gained confidence putting her book knowledge to work. The stories focus on the patients Dr. Transue encountered in the hospital, ER and clinic; some are funny and others tragic. Though the book has a great deal of medical content, the focus is more on the stories of the patients' lives and illnesses and the relationships that developed between the patients and the author, and the way both parties grew in the course of these experiences. On Call provides a window into the experience of patients at critical junctures in life and into the author's own experience as a new member of the medical profession.

Patient by Patient  
Author: Emily R. Transue

A memoir of a young doctor, fresh from residency, as she explores the joys and frustrations of beginning her medical practice. As she strives to help her patients face a range of challenges from the humorous to the profoundly devastating she learns that while medical school gave her an M.D., treating patients has made her a doctor. At the same time she is working with her patients she is also struggling with illness in her own family. Through her shifting perspectives of doctor, daughter, and granddaughter, she contends with the process of dying, the experience of grief, and the buoyancy of the human spirit.

Healing Hearts: A Memoir of a Female Heart Surgeon  
Author: Kathy Magliato

An inspiring, surprising, sometimes shocking, and ultimately deeply informative memoir of the high-stakes, high-pressured life of a female heart surgeon. Dr. Kathy Magliato is one of the few female heart surgeons practicing in the world today. She is also a member of an even more exclusive group—those surgeons specially trained to perform heart transplants. Healing Hearts is the story of the making of a surgeon who is also a wife and mother. Dr. Magliato takes us into her highly demanding, physically intense, male-dominated world and shows us how she masterfully works to save patients' lives every day. As we begin to see what it takes for Dr. Magliato to heal hearts day after day, we come to understand a more human side of the medical profession. Healing Hearts is not only her story, it is also the story of everyone affected by heart disease—roughly one in three Americans.

Match Day: One Day and One Dramatic Year in the Lives of Three New Doctors  
Author: Brian Eule

A dynamic, revealing look at three female doctors as they pass through this intense day and take on their first, turbulent year as medical interns. With his girlfriend entering the medical profession, journalist Brian Eule provides an unprecedented look into both this process and the lives of these new doctors as they face pressure-packed decisions and try to balance any personal life with a profession that demands everything from them. Match Day provides a real-life drama that shows how each comes to learn what it means to heal, to comfort, to lose, and to grieve, all while maintaining a professional demeanor— and the incredible process by which doctors are made in this country.
Mountains Beyond Mountains  Author: Tracy Kidder

This powerful and inspiring new book shows how one person can make a difference, as Kidder tells the true story of a gifted man who is in love with the world and has set out to do all he can to cure it. Paul Farmer was brought up in a bus and on a boat, and in medical school found his life’s calling: to diagnose and cure infectious diseases and to bring the lifesaving tools of modern medicine to those who need them most. This magnificent book shows how radical change can be fostered in situations that seem insurmountable, and it also shows how a meaningful life can be created, as Farmer—brilliant, charismatic, charming, both a leader in international health and a doctor who finds time to make house calls in Boston and the mountains of Haiti—blasts through convention to get results. His is a life based on hope, and on an understanding of the truth of the Haitian proverb “Beyond mountains there are mountains”: as you solve one problem, another problem presents itself, and so you go on and try to solve that one too.

Medical Apartheid  Author: Harriet A. Washington

From the era of slavery to the present day, the first full history of black America’s shocking mistreatment as unwilling and unwitting experimental subjects at the hands of the medical establishment. Starting with the earliest encounters between black Americans and Western medical researchers and the racist pseudoscience that resulted, it details the ways both slaves and freedmen were used in hospitals for experiments conducted without their knowledge—a tradition that continues today within some black populations. Shocking new details about the government’s notorious Tuskegee experiment are revealed. The product of years of prodigious research into medical journals and experimental reports long undisturbed, Medical Apartheid reveals the hidden underbelly of scientific research and makes possible, for the first time, an understanding of the roots of the African American health deficit.

Parasite Rex: Inside the Bizarre World of Nature’s Most Dangerous Creatures  Author: Carl Zimmer

Parasites are among the world’s most successful and sophisticated organisms. They can transform the insides of other creatures into hospitable homes. They can evade the onslaught of the immune system and even make it serve them. They can even control the minds of their hosts and force them to do their bidding. Parasite Rex offers a guided tour to the hidden, fascinating world of parasites, from protozoans that turn rats into suicidal kamikazes to wasps that turn their own DNA into viruses to help them parasitize caterpillars. It follows scientists who are beginning to appreciate how parasites can control the fate of entire ecosystems and even steer the course of evolution.

Uncommon Wisdom  Author: John Castaldo and Lawrence P. Levitt

In light of the escalating costs of healthcare in the U.S. and the on-going debate about appropriate health insurance reform, it’s easy to forget about the human side of medicine and the importance of the doctor-patient relationship. In Uncommon Wisdom, neurologists John Castaldo and Lawrence Levitt share what they have learned in their many years as doctors, not just from tests and labs, but from years of listening and learning from their patients. These 16 tales show doctors as human beings: flawed and full of doubt, wonder, and reverence about what it means to be alive. The stories remind us that the medical profession should be about treating people with the dignity they deserve and that medical miracles don’t always involve medicine. These doctors find cures, solve mysteries, and glean many lessons from listening deeply to their patients.
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God’s Hotel  Author: Victoria Sweet

San Francisco’s Laguna Honda Hospital is the last almshouse in the country, a descendant of the Hôtel-Dieu (God’s Hotel) that cared for the sick in the Middle Ages. Dr. Sweet ended up there herself, as a physician. And though she came for only a two-month stay, she remained for twenty years. At Laguna Honda, lower-tech but human-paced, Dr. Sweet had the chance to practice a kind of “slow medicine” that has almost vanished. Gradually, the place and its patients transformed the way she understood the body. Alongside the modern view of the body as a machine to be fixed, her patients evoked an older notion, of the body as a garden to be tended.

The Health Care Handbook  Author: Elisabeth Askin & Nathan Moore

The American health care system is vast, complex and confusing. Books about it shouldn't be. The Health Care Handbook is your one-stop guide to the people, organizations and industries that make up the U.S. health care system, and the major issues the system faces today. Each section introduces the key facts and foundations that make the health care system work in a clear and neutral manner. The book also includes balanced analyses of current challenges and controversies in health care, including medical errors, government regulation, medical malpractice, high drug prices, and much more.

The Ultimate Guide to Getting into Physician Assistant School  Author: Andrew J. Rodican

This is a unique, step-by-step blueprint for succeeding at every stage of the PA application process. This is the best book available on how to maximize your chance of acceptance into the PA school of your choice. Completely updated to include coverage of the Central Application Service for Physician Assistants (CASPA), Getting Into the Physician Assistant School of Your Choice covers all the essentials - from selecting a program all the way through to acing the interview. Clear and candid, this book provides insights, information, and advice you won’t find anywhere else - but may well make the difference between the acceptance or rejection of your application.

Veterinary Medical School Admission Requirements

This annually updated publication provides a comprehensive overview of the admission process for the national and international veterinary schools that are members of the Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC). The following need-to-know information is provided for each school: summary of application procedure; requirements for application and residency; prerequisites for admission; deadlines for each component of the application process; description of campus and campus life; and cost of tuition and fees. The book provides the best concise, current, and comparative information for those students interested in preparing for a career in veterinary medicine.

2014 Osteopathic Medical College Information Book

A brief description of all of the osteopathic medical colleges, admissions criteria, minimum entrance requirements, supplementary application materials required, class size or enrollment, application deadlines, and tuition. Also includes information about choosing a career in osteopathic medicine.
Pharmacy School Admission Requirements 2013-2014

This reference guide provides prospective pharmacy students and school counselors with specifics about admission requirements for all the professional pharmacy degree programs in the U.S. recognized by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education. The guide contains informative narratives about each school outlining environmental factors, program descriptions, and selection factors. Also included in the guide are tables listing application fees and deadlines, program costs, and admission requirements, as well as comprehensive information about nontraditional Pharm.D. programs available to practitioners. Updated annually.

2013 ADEA Official Guide to Dental Schools

For students entering in Fall 2014. This book gives information on dental careers, admission requirements for all U.S. and Canadian dental schools, dental careers, applying to dental school, and financial options for a dental education.

The Official Guide to the MCAT® Exam, 3rd Edition

The only guide created by the developers of the MCAT exam, you get insight, tips, and valuable guidance to help you prepare for the exam. This new edition of the guide is updated to reflect the changes in the 2013 MCAT exam, and provides current data on MCAT scores and GPAs, and score changes on retake exams. The guide includes 146 questions from actual MCAT exams, none of which appear on practice tests or self-assessments. All questions include detailed explanations of both the correct and incorrect answers. There are seven chapters about the exam, registration, and test day procedures; how scores figure in admissions; updated data on what percentage of applicants were admitted to medical school, based on MCAT scores and GPAs combined; and a look at how MCAT scores factor into the admissions decision, with insights from a former associate dean of admissions.