

---

## Contents

*Contributors* vii

*Foreword* ix

*Acknowledgements* xi

Chapter 1 Overview of the treatment of medical emergencies 1  
*Philip Jevon*

Chapter 2 Respiratory emergencies 21  
*Kate Deacon*

Chapter 3 Cardiac emergencies 51  
*Melanie Humphreys*

Chapter 4 Cardiovascular emergencies 105  
*Melanie Humphreys*

Chapter 5 Shock 136  
*Beverley Ewens*

Chapter 6 Neurological emergencies 166  
*Anthony Batson and Christine Thompson*

Chapter 7 Acute renal failure 199  
*Sue Talbot*

Chapter 8 Gastrointestinal emergencies 228  
*Beverley Ewens*

---

Contents

---

Chapter 9 Endocrine emergencies 249  
*Philip Jevon*

Chapter 10 Poisoning 267  
*James Bethel*

Chapter 11 Critical care outreach service 289  
*Kate Deacon*

Chapter 12 Ethical and legal issues 302  
*Fiona Foxall*

*Index* 321