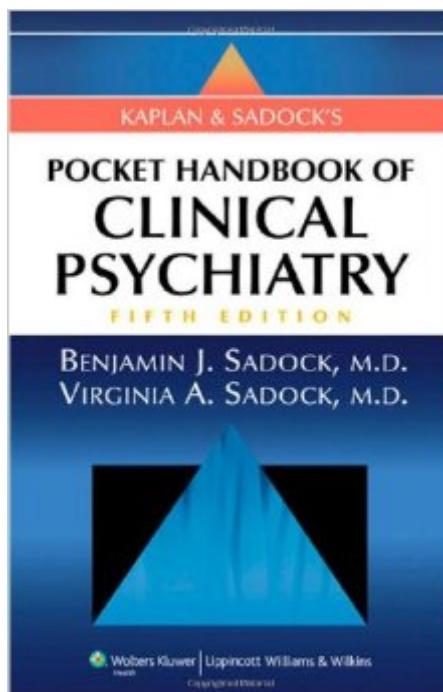


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# Kaplan And Sadock's Pocket Handbook Of Clinical Psychiatry, 5th Edition



## **Synopsis**

Thoroughly updated for its Fifth Edition, Kaplan and Sadock's Pocket Handbook of Clinical Psychiatry remains a staple for medical students on psychiatric rotations, psychiatric residents, practitioners, and mental health professionals. In an easy-to-scan outline format, this popular quick-reference handbook summarizes the etiology, epidemiology, clinical characteristics, diagnosis, and treatment of all psychiatric disorders in adults and children. Psychopharmacologic principles and prescribing methods are briefly described. The book is replete with DSM-IV-TR and other tables and includes boxed, highlighted Clinical Hints. Each chapter ends with specific page and chapter references to Kaplan and Sadock's Comprehensive Textbook of Psychiatry, Ninth Edition.

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The sectional layout of this edition follows that of the huge comprehensive textbook of psychiatry. However, information is relevant and pertinent to medical students and practicing residents. Although, a bit light on psychotherapeutic treatments it is good on topics of definitions, epidemiology and psychotropics. Good tables and figures throughout. Good in terms of what it is marketed as... a handbook. Go to the Synopsis or Comprehensive textbooks for fuller understanding.

I'm starting a psychiatry residency after being a general practice doc, and want to get up to speed before beginning. This book is in outline format and covers a LOT of material very briefly--which is

fine. But it's full of typos, some of which change the meaning of sentences in important ways! And the numerous tables are done in a font so small that even with good eyes I have trouble reading them. To me this is a good book to review for the psych part of the boards, or for a medical student on psych rotation.

It's based on DSM-IV-TR, so it doesn't exactly line up with the current wording and layout of the DSM-5. But a lot of the principles still apply. While the DSM will help you with diagnosis, Kaplan and Sadock's Pocket Handbook offers recommended treatments, both pharmacological and therapeutic, along with warnings and counter-indicators for every listed form of treatment. Great, great book to have.

This book is awesome. But it has the diagnostics from the DSM IV. I would recommend this to anyone. It breaks down each diagnosis. Tells you what the DSM qualifications are. The treatment, differential diagnosis, etiology, etc. it has helped me a great deal in my masters program.

I am starting a psychiatry residency after switching from Pediatrics. This is a good little handbook that just gives you a good overview of psychiatry. Its chapters are congruent with the 17 clinical disorders (d/o)(ie: substance abuse, mood d/o, schizophrenia etc.) within the DSM-IV. It's nice because for each d/o it covers things like epidemiology, causes, DSM-IV criteria, and treatments. Allbeit VERY small font, they have even thought to put tables of the DSM-IV criteria along with each d/o. This is nice because the DSM-IV is the standard, and one does not always want to whip one out when studying. It must be stressed that this book should not be used in place of the larger more comprehensive Kaplan and Sadock books. This is JUST in mostly bullet point - VERY HIGH YIELD -information to get a good overview, and or review for exams and such. I definitely will purchase the larger synopsis version along with the question book because taken together all of these should be more than valuable. This handbook would be recommended as a primer for newly starting psychiatry residents or psychiatry staff. It is a readable book due to its small size and although not super light weight, could be tucked into a white coat if need be. Definitely would give high marks.

Very good resource for medical psychiatry. Font is small, but information is very dense and clinically relevant. I would not consider adding an additional psychiatry resource to my textbook flotilla unless it covered for a deficiency of this text's subject matter. Thus far, I've not found myself wanting additional resources (except for occasional Pub Med searches). Or, if one was particular interested

in psychiatry, a more involved psychiatry book (or books) would be needed. For everyone else, this is all you need. I'd recommend it over the Board Review Series Behavioral Science, which was good up to a point but lacked many crucial clinical details.

If you don't have enough time for reading the synopsis, this is the right book. A good review of topics, but images are needed sometimes as are depicted in the bigger book for having a better idea, like when you read about Schizophrenia...

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