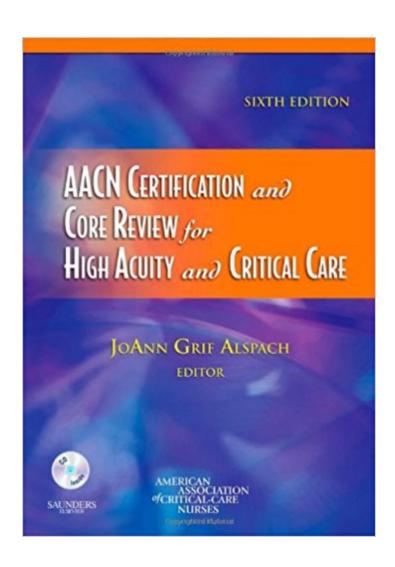


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If you buy the kindle edition of this book, you will not get any of the online resources of the 3 extra exams. You might as well spend 2 extra dollars and get the book in print with the CD that has the 3 extra exams on it

I would caution against buying this book to prep for CCRN. The most recent 6th edition is from 2008 so perhaps it was useful 9 years ago, but bears little resemblance to the 2017 exam content and format. Familiarity with and confidence in your ability to answer a specific type of test question is necessary for success in standardized test taking, so I was left wondering why the organization that creates exam would publish a review that enforces neither. I used Barron's CCRN Exam review and practice tests as well as the Pass CCRN online test bank and found them to be much more helpful in terms of review structure and type of guestions. I passed the exam with 109 out of 125 correct.

Please be forewarned that the questions in this book are way harder than the questions on the CCRN. The book is all questions and very detailed rationales, which is helpful for general knowledge. I took the practice exams and barely ever got more than 60% of the questions right and was totally panicked the night before my exam. These questions may be more geared toward a CMC exam or something else but certainly not the CCRN. I would not recommend it.

I found the cd very useful in this book. You will be taking CCRN on a computer so it prepares you for the format of the test. You can enter study mode which gives you the rationale and answer to the question immediately after you answer the question (which, to me, is more helpful than doing an entire exam and having to go back through all of the questions). The CD is also nice because it prevents you from having to flip back and forth like you have to in the book. I did pass the CCRN on the first try and I have barely been a nurse for a year. The book got me into the mindset of answering a lot of questions which were pretty similar, but not overlapping, in content. The thing that got me most prepared was studying conent from Laura Gasparis DVDS. If you have even researched CCRN preparation you probably will have heard of her. I would say20-30 of the

questions came exactly from her DVD content. So my gameplan was to study this book and her DVDs and, all in all, it was a successful combination that I would highly recommend.

Well.... I said I would write a review of this book after I took the test. I took a Fancher in seat course and used the Gasparis question book, this book, and the PASS CCRN questions from the evolve website. I passed the test by 13 questions. I feel this book was a "meh". The review course helped me the most I think. As one other review put it, this book is better after taking a course to see where you are at. If I had to pick which book I think helped the most, I would go with the Gasparis one.

Incredibly detailed and challenging questions. Would recommend this as an adjunct study guide; the Pass CCRN! online question bank was far more similar to the questions on the CCRN. I never got more than 70% on these exams and was very concerned about passing- ended up getting a 105 on the exam. Do not rely on this study guide alone to study for this exam.

Fabulous book to help you prepare for the CCRN exam. The questions are written by the same people who write the CCRN exam questions. I used this and an online program to prepare for my exam and passed on my first time. It is all questions though. It does have rationales for the answers though and I find that's the best way I learn for standardized tests. Highly recommend it!

After receiving the book and attempting to open the software I was extremely disappointed to find that the software has become obsolete, at least on any OS version since 2010, due to PowerPC programs becoming obsolete with this OS. I contacted customer support and was told that there was nothing that could be done to help remedy this situation. This is extremely disappointing and will inform any future purchases from Elsevier that I might consider making in the near future. Please be aware that if you are purchasing this with the intent of using the software on a Mac that you will not be able to do so unless your computer and OS are 2010 version or older.

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