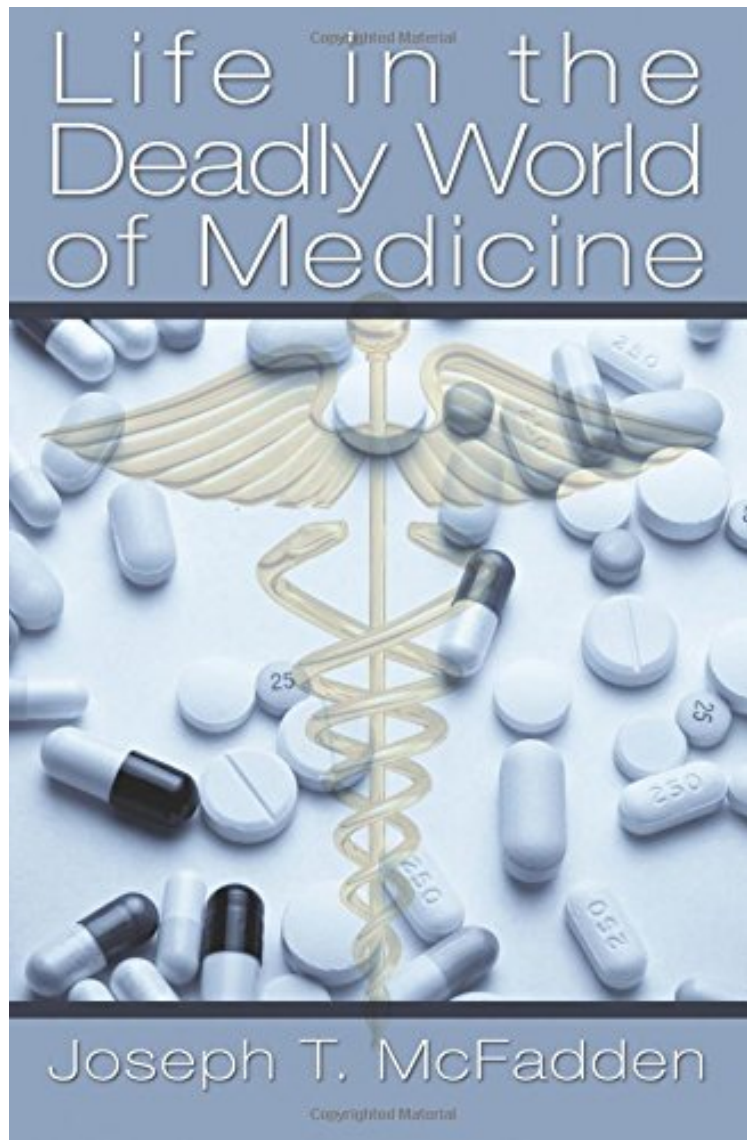


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Joseph T. McFadden : Life in The Deadly World of Medicine before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Life in The Deadly World of Medicine:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Important reading for anyone interacting with the healthcare system
By Customer
This book gave very honest case studies which show that people have to work with their healthcare providers to ensure a good outcome. Ask questions, pay attention, take along someone who can speak up for you when you are unable to and check everything. There is more pressure and fatigue affecting medical staff than

ever yet they are expected to be perfect. This is unrealistic - take responsibility for yourself.

Retired neurosurgeon, Joseph T. McFadden, M.D. F.A.C.S., has written an experiential litany of treatment gone wrong, misread X-rays, incorrect reporting, misuse of drugs, faulty anesthesia, mistakes with gases and blood transfusions, hospital acquired infections, and other misadventures. This latest release (November 2, 2009, Booksurge Publishing) is full of case studies featuring real life tragedies, omitting the names of victims. Many of these stories include terrible tales of patients who either died (100,000 to 300,000 preventable deaths per year), or were horribly maimed, injured, and forever left disabled or deformed. In his first non-fiction release, Dr. McFadden brings to the light many of the issues surrounding our modern healthcare system. Life in the Deadly World of Medicine is not conjecture or opinion, it is filled with facts figures and statistics meant to bring information to the public in order to educate and inform; and to ultimately protect one's self from becoming another fatal statistic. Life in The Deadly World of Medicine is a guide to the wealth of information available to all people in the 21st century. Armed with this knowledge patients and guardian become empowered to fight back. Blame placing will not change the fatal flaws of this gigantic system: the insurance industry, the hospital industry, and the drug companies riding on the shoulders of the medical profession. The book also explains how the original HMO's were born out of concern for the employees of companies or other groups of people and served patients well as nonprofit organizations until they were taken over by private ownership and the insurance industry. What the reader can expect to learn: Who are your best advocates and what you can do to ensure your safety What questions to ask about any advised or planned procedure Why bad things happen to good people Where to look for possible problems How to prevent common medical errors by being an informed advocate

I had the experience of taking my 4 week old infant to the hospital to be admitted for RSV, a respiratory infection that is fatal in infants. I was grateful that I had read this book. It might have kept my baby alive! --Maggie Ruch, Norfolk VA
From the Author
Despite its faults, the medical system in the Western world saves thousands of lives every day, often with knowledge and techniques only dreamed of a generation ago. It would be foolhardy to stay away altogether because of the faults. Most of its errors fall under the category of stupid mistakes. These can be avoided with a little thought and painstaking attention to detail, and by adherence to a system of double-checking everything risky. Most doctors are good men and women who want patients to get well without problems of any kind. But in self-defense, people must always be aware of the particular circumstances of the medical system. As with the jungle, people go to it; it does not come to them, and unprepared or unwary, they go there on its terms.
From the Back Cover
To empower the patient and counter the fatal flaws of the gigantic medical system of the USA, the author's first nonfiction work brings to the reader an inside picture of its failures and successes. Can the per year preventable death rate of 100, 000 to 300,000, and perhaps even higher, be correct? Maybe not, but regardless of the degree of accuracy the numbers do reveal the existence of an out of hand problem in need of control. The medical personnel, the drug industry, the hospital industry, and the insurance companies have not been able to remedy the faults. On the contrary, each of these fields may perform to perfection and still leave a void where no one is in charge of the patient. Only the patients and their families or guardians, using the wealth of information available to everyone here in the early twenty first century, can put an end to this deadly situation...