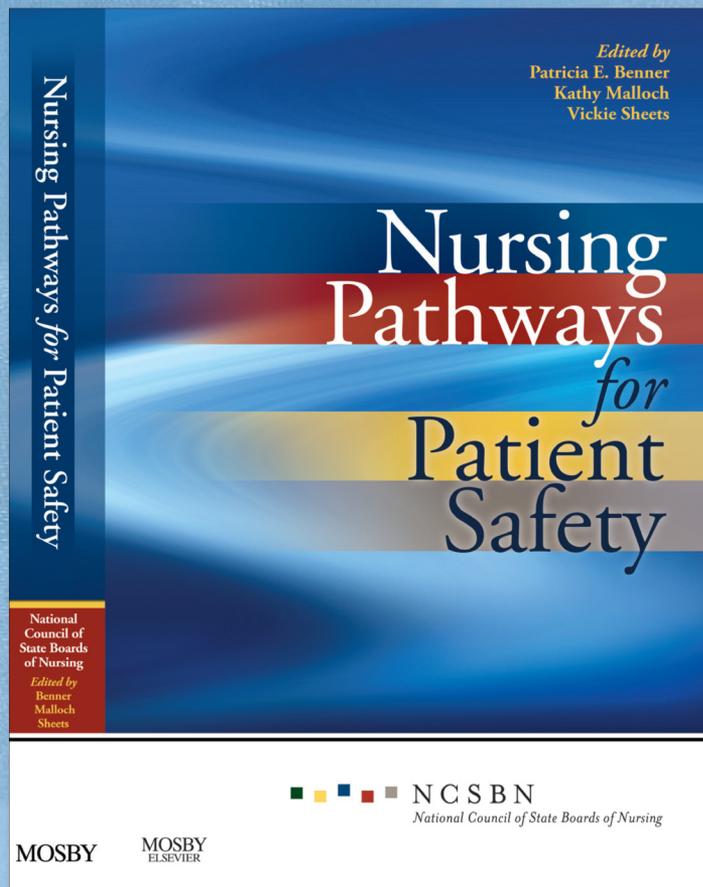


# Presenting an Innovative Approach to Practice Breakdown



National Council of State Boards of Nursing's (NCSBN<sup>®</sup>) new book *Nursing Pathways for Patient Safety* will be published Oct. 1, 2009. Written by a distinguished panel of experts seeking to create a change in the current state of health care safety management, this book examines the issues surrounding practice breakdown in a way that looks beyond individual errors and instead, examines practice breakdown from a system perspective.

The book provides an introduction to NCSBN's Practice Breakdown Initiative, including the TERCAP<sup>®</sup> (Taxonomy of Error Root Cause Analysis Practice-responsibility) assessment tool, and a systematic review of eight types of practice breakdowns, such as those involving medication administration and attentiveness/surveillance. Additionally, the book provides compelling case studies in each chapter based on actual instances of practice breakdown.

*Nursing Pathways for Patient Safety* is an essential tool for all individuals in health care management positions or those currently studying for a career in the field.

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