reviews of self-instructional materials

The following self-instructional programs have been considered useful by their reviewers in their own training programs and/or continuing medical education.

- *1-Family physician
- 2-Family practice resident
- 3-Family nurse practitioner/Medex
- 4-Medical student

**A-Audio cassette
B-35 mm slides
C-Printed material
D-16 mm film
E-8 mm film
F-Video tape
G-35 mm film strip

SOURCE	PROGRAM	MEDIA**	AUDIENCE*	COMMENTS	REVIEWER
Medical Recording Service Foundation John Graves Royal College of General Practitioners Med. Rec. Serv. Found. Kitts Croft Writtle *Chelmsford Essex. England	Otosclerotic Deafness	A B	1 2	This program presents a technically excellent presentation of the diagnosis and management of otosclerotic deafness. Well-illustrated, slides are generally good. The discussion of the surgical management is excessive and too many slides are used to explain a procedure the family physician will never perform. This would still be useful in a training program.	Rafael C. Sanchez, M.D. Louisiana State University
American Heart Association Mrs. Placide Schriever 44 East 23rd Street New York, New York 10010	Modern Pharmacological Management of Systemic Hypertension	A B C	1 2 3 4	This tape and slide presentation very clearly and concisely discusses the treatment for most hypertension. It minimizes some of the present controversy over the use of reserpine, and because of its 1970 date only casually mentions the potential role of propanolol in the treatment of hypertension. It diagrams and discusses the site of action of the five most commonly used antihypertensive drugs and how to most effectively use them. It summarizes the V.A. study which validates the desirability of treating hypertension if complications are to be prevented.	Eugene S. Farley, Jr., M.D. University of Rochester- Highland Hospital
W. B. Saunders Company West Washington Square Philadelphia. Pa. 19105	Pediatric Cardiology	A G	1 2 4	This two cassette, four filmstrip set with accompanying printed text takes a minimum of two hours to view. It covers cardiac examination of the child and rheumatic fever in children. It is generally well presented, but seems to aim at too broad an audience making it too advanced for a physical diagnosis class and a bit elementary for a practicing physician. Nevertheless, it might	William L. Stewart, M.D. Southern Illinois University

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		,		serve adequately as a brief review of the subject for residents or practicing physicians.	
University of Wisconsin — Extension Bureau of AV Instruction Post Office Box 2093 University of Wisconsin Madison, Wisconsin 53701	Oxygen Therapy — Use and Dangers	A	1 2 4	This is one of the most concise and clear presentations on this subject that has come to my attention. It is strictly "soft sell" and just right as far as technical material is concerned. Well done.	Thomas M. Hart, M.D. Family Practice Center York, Pennsylvania
Institute of Continuing Education Sawyer, Michigan 49125	How to Interpret and Handle Suicide	A	1 2 3 4	A practical, family physician oriented approach to often disturbing behavior — the suicidal gesture and the suicidal attempt. The distinction between the feeling of helplessness and hopelessness is differentiated, and the appropriate physician reaction to each is outlined. The entire area of physician response and responsibility to self-destructive threats is extremely well handled.	Joseph V. Fisher, M.D. Medical University of South Carolina
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Charles V. Heck. M.D. 430 North Michigan Ave. Chicago, Illinois 60611	Emergency Care of the Critically Injured	A B	1 2 3 4	Well done slide and tape review of emergency care for the individual with traumatic injuries. The first half is very basic and would probably relate best to an ambulance attendent. The second half is more sophisticated, deals with various types of fractures and methods of emergency splinting, and could be well viewed by family practice residents and family physicians.	L. R. Martin, M.D. Cedar Rapids Medical Education Program Cedar Rapids, Iowa
ROCOM Div. of Hoffman-LaRoche. Inc. One Sunset Avenue Montclair, New Jersey 07042	Arterial Puncture	C E	3 4	Excellent demonstration of the technique for arterial puncture. Self test and bibliography are useful adjuncts to this teaching program.	Bill D. Burr, M.D. University of California Davis
Medical Recording Service Foundation John Graves Royal College of General Practitioners Med. Rec. Serv. Found. Kitts Croft Writtle Chelmsford Essex, England	The Pre-Menstrual Syndrome	A B	1 2 3 4	Presents "The Pre-Menstrual Syndrome" with emphasis on the familial and societal implications of the problem along with a plea to health care providers to recognize its incidence and its frequent response to uncomplicated treatment. This problem is discussed in depth with supporting evidence including graphs. Provocative, comprehensive, and concise review of a common problem. Caution is necessary so as not to over-diagnose this problem on the basis of this presentation and not to over-interpret the scope of the problem. Recommend as useful.	Philip L. Roseberry, M.D. York Hospital York, Pennsylvania