Evaluation of Sleep Complaints: An Issue of Sleep Medicine Clinics - The Clinics



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Sleep is essential for our physical and mental health. It allows our bodies to rest and repair themselves, and it helps us to consolidate memories and learn new things. Sleep disFree Downloads are common, however, and can have a significant impact on our quality of life and overall health.

The evaluation of sleep complaints is a complex process that requires a multidisciplinary approach. This issue of Sleep Medicine Clinics provides a comprehensive overview of the latest advances in the evaluation of sleep complaints, including the use of polysomnography, actigraphy, and home sleep apnea testing.

Polysomnography

Polysomnography (PSG) is the gold standard for the evaluation of sleep disFree Downloads. PSG is a non-invasive test that records a variety of physiological signals during sleep, including brain activity, eye movements, muscle activity, and呼吸.

PSG is typically performed in a sleep laboratory. The patient sleeps overnight in a bed that is equipped with sensors that record the physiological signals. The data from the PSG is then analyzed by a sleep specialist to identify any abnormalities that may be causing the patient's sleep complaints.

Actigraphy

Actigraphy is a non-invasive test that measures movement and activity levels. Actigraphy can be used to evaluate sleep patterns, including the duration and quality of sleep, and the timing of sleep and wake cycles.

Actigraphy is typically performed using a small, wrist-worn device that records the patient's movements throughout the day and night. The data from the actigraphy is then analyzed by a sleep specialist to identify any abnormalities that may be causing the patient's sleep complaints.

Home Sleep Apnea Testing

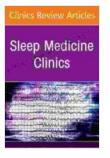
Home sleep apnea testing (HSAT) is a non-invasive test that is used to diagnose sleep apnea. Sleep apnea is a condition in which the patient stops breathing repeatedly during sleep. HSAT is typically performed using a small, portable device that records the patient's breathing, heart rate, and oxygen levels throughout the night.

The data from the HSAT is then analyzed by a sleep specialist to determine if the patient has sleep apnea. HSAT is a convenient and cost-effective way to diagnose sleep apnea, and it is often used as a screening test for patients who are at risk for the condition.

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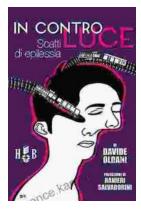
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