

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this group of papers is to present an up-to-date review of common urologic problems that confront the primary care physician. Two papers are presented on urinary tract infections, the most common complaint faced by physicians in their offices. Another paper covers congenital anomalies of the urinary tract which represent an important part of pediatric diseases. Dr. William McRoberts, one of the McGuire Lecturers, reviews aspects of male infertility, a significant concern in today's society. Other topics discussed in this issue are parenchymal kidney disease, the management of the patient with end-stage renal disease, and urinary tract cancer. These subjects are both timely and important in the every day practice of the primary care physician.