INTRODUCTION

This issue of the MCV Quarterly is devoted to a review of some of the problems in clinical neurology that present soon after onset and often require urgent evaluation and care. Problems such as seizures and headache are regular features of many types of practice. Others such as acute ophthalmoplegias are infrequently seen outside the field of neurology. Still others, for instance, head injury, are commonly seen but often require the attention of physicians with specialized training, such as Dr. Miller of the MCV Division of Neurosurgery. While every acute neurologic problem cannot be reviewed in a single issue, the selection here is designed to provide readers with information useful not only in their own practices but also valuable for all physicians to know.

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