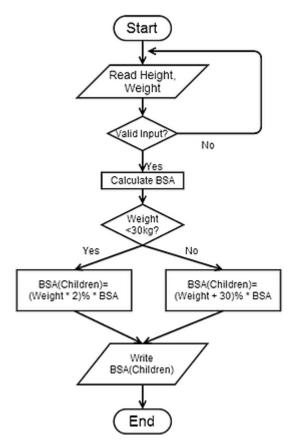
Multiple algorithms for calculating drug dosage for children have been discussed in (Lack and Stuart-Taylor, 17). Note: Average adult BSA is around 1.73 m². Your work on this assignment will be the basis for Assignment 5.

1) Draw a flow chart to facilitate a software developer to implement a program using BSA-based children drug dosage calculation method (including the calculation of BSA).

Answer:



BSA (cm²) = 71.84 x Height(cm) $^{0.725}$ x Weight(kg) $^{0.425}$ By DuBois and DuBois's 's equation.

2) Implement a simple universal BSA calculator. The focus is not on programing skills. Any form of implement is fine, for example Excel, or a command program.

Answer:

The attached txt file"BSA.txt" is my solution. The programming language is JavaScript. And I used Twitter bootstrap framework(bootstrap.css and bootstrap.js) to make the user interface friendly and colorful.

How to run: Please rename this file "BSA.html" and then open it by a web browser such as Chrome or IE Explorer or Firefox.

The screen-shot of this software:

(1) The user who is 5'4" and 140 lbs. His/her BMI is shown as follows.

Universal Body Surface Area (BSA) Calculator

Click on the Tabs to enter your weight and height using standard or metric measures. Standard Height:(feet) Height:(inch) Weight(lb) 5 140 DuBois and DuBois¹: (m²) Haycock³: (m²) $Mosteller^4 : (m^2)$ Gehan and George²: (m²) 1.7020347587458626 1.6933717328979416 1.6808867496919322 1.7091417743981931 DuBois and DuBois1: Gehan and George²: Equation: BSA $(m^2) = 0.0235 * Height(cm)^{0.42246} * Weight(kg)^{0.51456}$ Equation: $BSA(m^2) = 0.007184 * Height(cm)^{0.725} * Weight(kg)^{0.425}$ $Mosteller^4$: Equation: BSA (m 2) = 0.024265 * Height(cm) $^{0.3964}$ * Weight(kg) $^{0.5378}$ Equation: BSA (m²) = $[(Height(cm) * Weight(kg))/3600]^{0.5}$

(2) The user who is 187 cm and 87 kgs. His/her BMI is shown as follows.

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