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Createspace. Paperback. Book Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. Paperback. 50 pages. Dimensions: 11.0in. x 8.5in. x 0.1in. The public health of our nation is increasingly burdened by chronic illnesses. Seizures and epilepsy (also known as recurring seizures) is one of these chronic disorders that affects 2. 3 million Americans each year, and many more family members, friends, and caregivers regardless of age, sex, and ethnicity. Seizures are a common neurological problem that, unfortunately, is under-recognized and not treated as significant by large segments of our society. It is commonly misunderstood because it is a collection of disorders that have different causes, consequences, and outcomes. For many people, epilepsy can be a self-limiting or easily controlled health problem, but for many more, epilepsy can be a lifelong disorder requiring ongoing treatment and enormous resources to manage, cope with, and hopefully prevent, many disabling physical, social, cognitive, and emotional burdens. Unfortunately, major deficiencies in our national approach to managing epilepsy are present, including the lack of an agreed upon protocol for aggressive control. Many people accept lack of seizure control as inevitable, and physicians too often subscribe to a similar philosophy. Consequently, people may never be referred to specialists or,...



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