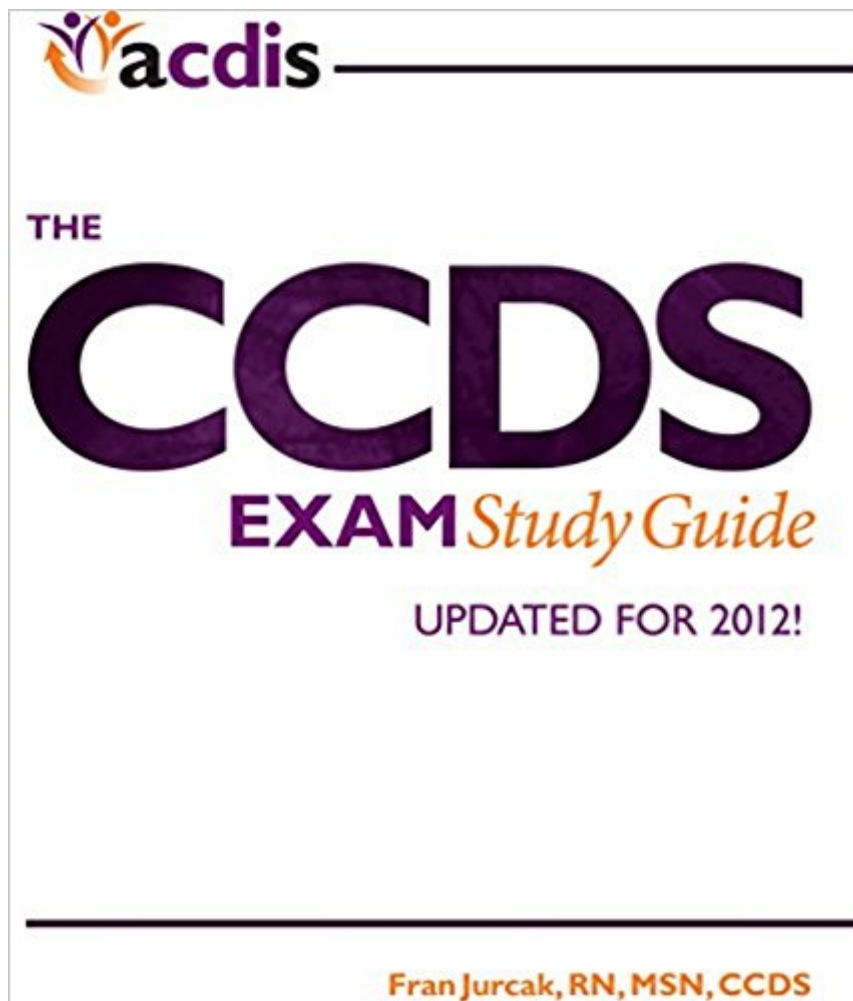




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# The CCDS Exam Study Guide (2012 Edition)



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