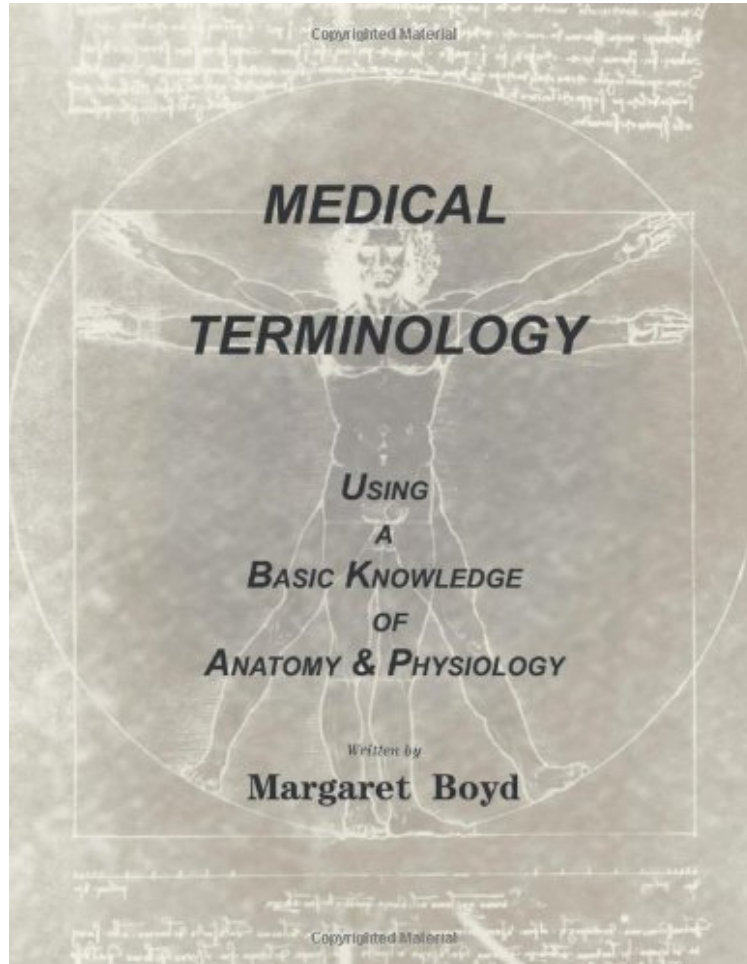


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also had to contend with new medical terminology. Potentially serious transcription errors occurred. Upon request by the senior radiologist, a program to teach medical records staff the meanings and pronunciations of medical terms was developed. The outcome was so successful that the National Cancer Institute, on becoming aware of the program, asked that the material be prepared for publication in their manual for cancer records officers for circulation to oncology centers in underdeveloped countries. This medical terminology manual is a revision of the original, a reference that will be an excellent desk companion for medical secretaries, nurses and other paramedical students or staff.