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**ABOUT THE BOOK:** Given the frightening number of preventable hospital deaths caused by medical errors, someone—a family member—must be a sentinel to oversee and support medical care for a hospitalized love one. You must become their advocate to help them get the best treatment possible. *Critical Conditions: The Essential Hospital Guide To Get Your Loved One Out Alive*, offers a step-by-step guide based on over 150 interviews with doctors, nurses, hospital staff and family members. You will learn how to:

- Prevent deadly medical errors, medication mistakes, infectious diseases.
- Reach doctors when you need them—every time.
- Navigate and manage the hospital system with confidence.

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**ABOUT THE AUTHOR:** After multiple hospitalizations of her own family members, author Martine Ehrenclou, MA, interviewed over 150 doctors, nurses, hospital social workers, psychologists, other medical staff, and families, to find clear understanding, advice, and direction to empower family members to be proactive advocates for their hospitalized loved ones. She offers the results of her efforts in this simple and easy-to-read book. Now you can be sure your loved one will receive the best possible care in any hospital.

Martine is a writer and public relations/marketing executive, with clients that include authors, psychologists, and entrepreneurs. As past owner of Love Letters Ink, she was interviewed as the "Contemporary Cyrano" by national TV talk and news shows (Phil Donahue, Jenny Jones, ABC World News Tonight, CNN, etc.), national magazines (*Time Magazine, Inc, The Economist, Glamour* and others) and newspapers (*Los Angeles Times, Washington Post* and others.)

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