

## **Pain Management Nursing Board Certification Examination**

### Reference List

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**Many authoritative texts are used to develop this certification examination. This list is provided to help you to prepare for the examination and is not intended to be all-inclusive.**

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