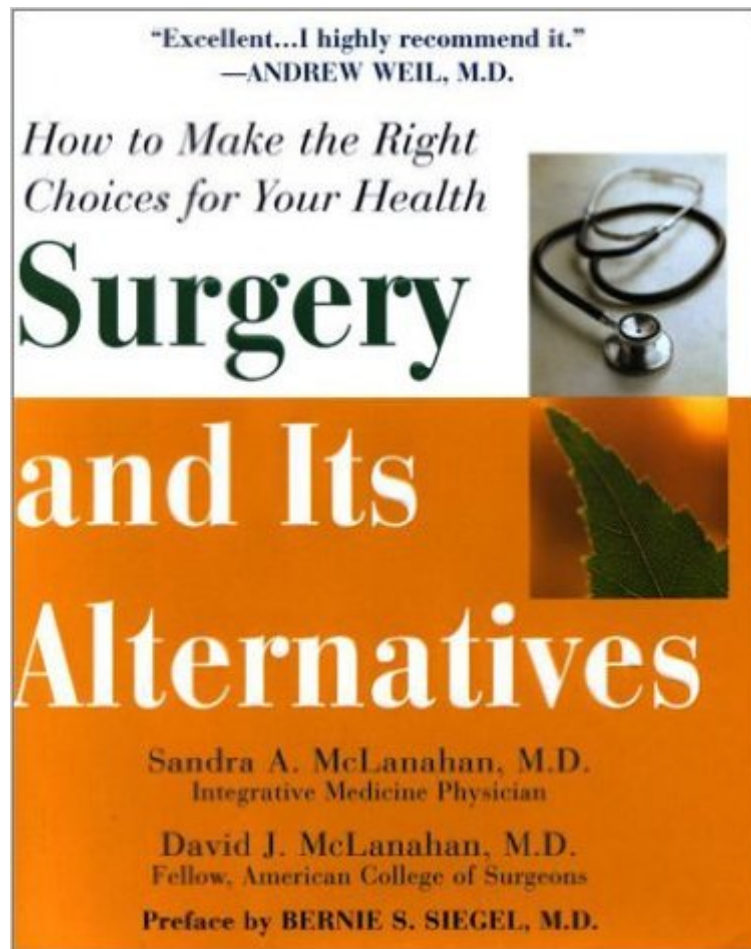


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Synopsis

The goal of this book is to explain your surgical disease, both the alternative and traditional approaches for treatment, and then detailing an integrative approach should you opt for surgery. The book begins with a preface written by Dr. Bernie Siegel – one of the pioneering surgeons to use alternative approaches. Next, background information about and personal statements by the authors. Following is a general discussion of Alternative Medicine, and then detailed descriptions of specific alternative healing techniques. Next, comes a chapter about what questions to have answered by your surgeon, alternative practitioners, and other resources and how to put all this information together to make a decision about surgery. The next section focuses on what to expect during your hospital experience – pre-operative, during the surgery itself, and post-op. The bulk of the book considers specific surgical problems such as breast cancer, heart disease, hernias, hemorrhoids, etc. Finally, the authors provide a detailed program they call an Integrated Approach to Surgery. The book has 814 pages and contains more than 1000 references, a section on resources, and an index.

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