



# 2018 Core Surgery Module: Key References

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## Perioperative Management of the Patient on Corticosteroids

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- ★ [Holbrook A, Schulman S, Witt DM, et al. Evidence-based management of anticoagulant therapy: antithrombotic therapy and prevention of thrombosis, 9th ed: American College of Chest Physicians Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines. Chest. 2012;141\(2 suppl\):e152S-e184S.](#)  
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## Preoperative Assessment and Management of Pulmonary Risk

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## Ethical Issues in Clinical Surgery: End-of-Life Issues

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## Hypocalcemia and Hypercalcemia

- ★ [Walsh J, Gittoes N, Selby P, et al. Society for Endocrinology Endocrine Emergency Guidance: emergency management of acute hypercalcemia in adult patients. Endocr Connect. 2016;5\(5\):G9-G11.](#)  
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## Prophylaxis for Venous Thromboembolism

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- ★ [National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. Facts and Figures: Hospice Care in America. 2017 Ed.](#)

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[PMID 26630110]

## Care of the Pregnant Patient

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## Central Venous Catheter Placement

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