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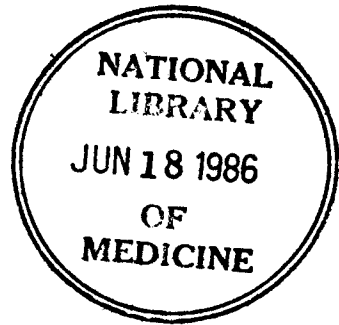
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Foreword

In this third issue of the series *Dialogues in Pediatric Management*, the editors and Appleton-Century-Crofts again provide a medium for the academic pediatrician and the practitioner to interact on a specific topic of current interest. Academics with established expertise have been selected to develop a comprehensive essay on the subject of *Attention Deficit Disorders*. This monograph has been forwarded to an eminent practitioner for a pragmatic reply derived out of the experience of his career and from working with his own private patient population.

Dr. Esther K. Sleator and Dr. William E. Pelham, Jr., researchers and academicians, have collaborated on a comprehensive treatise describing the definition, diagnosis, evaluation, management, and natural history of the important and often complex entity of *Attention Deficit Disorder*. Dr. William B. Carey, for many years a practicing solo pediatrician with a particular interest in problems of temperament, has responded with an analysis of what he finds helpful and what he finds confusing in the Sleator/Pelham manuscript.

The reader profits by learning the most reasoned thoughts, often eloquently stated, of both the academic and pragmatic worlds. Enjoy the dialogue and be rewarded for the time expended with a broad understanding of the "state-of-the-art" of a puzzling symptom-complex.

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