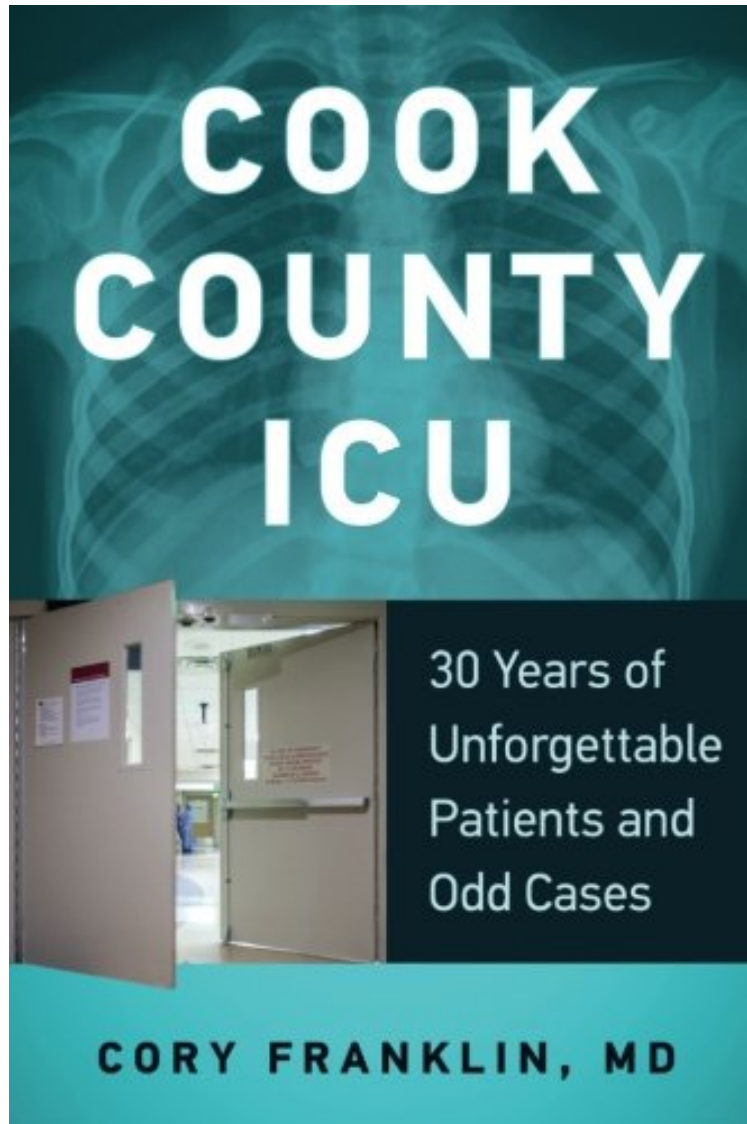


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Wonderful medical story teller. The book is hard to put down. It helps that the author is a doctor who has experienced these things himself.

An inside look at one of the nation's most famous public hospitals, Cook County, as seen through the eyes of its longtime Director of Intensive Care, Dr. Cory Franklin. Readers will be riveted by stories of strange medical cases and unforgettable patients culled from his 30-year career in medicine that spanned the 1970s through the 1990s, including some major moments in medical history like the AIDS epidemic and the deadly Chicago heatwave of 1995. We follow Dr. Franklin as he unravels a host of strange cases including the nurse with rare Munchausen syndrome, the only surviving ricin victim, and the professor with Alzheimer's hiding the effects of the wrong medication. Each chapter features stories centered on a medical topic like body temperature, medications, detecting poisons, and the art of "taking a history" Readers will come away learning how the practice of medicine has changed over the years, which will be insightful for patients, doctors, and medical students alike. Dr. Cory Franklin was an M.D. for more than 30 years and Director of Intensive Care at Cook County Hospital in Chicago for 25 years. In 1993, he worked as a technical advisor to Harrison Ford and was one of the role models for the physician Ford played in the film *The Fugitive*. Dr. Franklin is an editorial board contributor to the *Chicago Tribune* and the author of *Chicago Flashbulbs*. He has written for the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and the *Chicago Sun-Times*. He lives in Wilmette, Illinois.

Longtime doctor and first-rate observer Cory Franklin writes that, in the emergency room, the day shift was rap music, the evening shift was easy listening, and the overnight shift was jazz. Franklin is an overnigher, riffing on practitioners and patients, jamming with equal parts pride and regret about his fascinating and sometimes brutal world. Marilyn Johnson, author of *Lives in Ruins: Archaeologists and the Seductive Lure of Human Rubble*