Chapter 8:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

On completion of the chapter, the reader will be able to:

1. Discuss aspects of aging epidemiology.
2. Describe age-related changes in physiology, especially as they might affect drug pharmacokinetics.
3. List drugs with increased or decreased pharmacodynamic sensitivity with age.
4. Discuss differences in diseases and syndromes in geriatrics.
5. List the types of drug-related problems in older adults.
6. Discuss the epidemiology of drug-related problems in older adults.
7. Given a patient case, develop strategies to evaluate a drug regimen with the goal of modifying or reducing drug-related problems in older adults.