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Practical Patient Safety demonstrates how core principles of safety from industries such as aviation, nuclear and petrochemical can be applied in surgical and medical practice, giving the reader practical advice on how to start patient safety training within his or her department or hospital.
