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counseling about cancer a key resource for all genetic counselors and other healthcare providers this comprehensive reference has been completely updated and reorganized for its fourth edition over 50 hereditary cancer predisposition genes have now been identified genetic testing can be a powerful tool in assessing individual cancer risk and creating robust medical plans but can also be a complex process with personal and familial factors carrying real emotional weight as such genetic counseling for patients and their families during the process of genetic testing is critical counseling about cancer strategies for genetic counseling is the only comprehensive resource available for clinicians who want to understand and apply these dimensions of patient care this updated and reorganized edition provides detailed information designed to be incorporated in a variety of clinical and health care contexts updated with the latest guidance and research it promises to continue as the indispensable guide to this challenging subject readers of the fourth edition of counseling about cancer will also find new chapters analyzing pediatric cancer syndromes genetic testing technology and more increased focus on gynecological cancer syndromes and related genes detailed case studies to reinforce themes of each chapter counseling about cancer is a useful reference for genetic counselors and other healthcare providers looking to familiarize themselves with best practices of patient counseling and care

in the early 1980s it was discovered that hiv the virus that causes aids could be passed through a mother s milk to her baby almost overnight in the industrialised countries and later in the african countries most ravaged by hiv breastfeeding became an endangered practice but in the rush to reduce transmission of hiv everything we already knew about breastfeeding s life saving effects was overlooked with devastating consequences for mothers and babies in hiv and breastfeeding the untold story former ibclc pamela morrison an acknowledged authority on hiv and breastfeeding reveals how women in the world s most poverty stricken areas were persuaded to abandon breastfeeding as part of a short sighted and deadly policy that led to an

humanitarian disaster the dilemma that breastfeeding an act of nurturing which confers food comfort and love could be at once life saving yet lethal has been called the ultimate paradox this critical account reveals how vital breastfeeding is even in the most difficult of circumstances and examines the lessons that can be learned from the mistakes of the past which is particularly relevant as we deal with the consequences for mothers and babies of another global pandemic covid 19 with detailed information for hiv positive mothers and their caregivers and success stories from mothers themselves this book is essential reading for anyone involved in protecting and supporting breastfeeding or with a need for evidence based information about breastfeeding and hiv

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