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Preface

We, the editors, are deeply honored and humbled for the opportunity to provide the *Pediatric Ear, Nose, and Throat Infections* textbook to physicians and healthcare providers working in this field as a comprehensive and up-to-date reference book, which will be available both online and in printed format.

Humankind, world history, and, more recently, globalization have sarcastically failed at equally scattering health opportunities and solutions for all children on behalf of a fair life in all corners of the world. In this context, during the last century, morbidity and mortality rates in children due to infectious diseases have been dramatically reduced in high-income countries. On the other side, pediatric infectious diseases in low- and middle-income countries remain among the leading causes of morbidity and mortality. Children in these countries also experience disproportionate rates of ear, nose, and throat (ENT) infections, often with more frequency and severity than those in the high-income world.

The knowledge and experience in the field of pediatric ENT infections are widening, deepening, and ever-changing. And so are the responsibilities and roles of physicians and other healthcare providers. The goal of preparing the *Pediatric Ear, Nose, and Throat Infections* is to provide a comprehensive, evidence-based, up-to-date reference book presenting current medical information required in the daily practice for those who care for children with infections in the ENT area and related issues. With the release of *Pediatric Ear, Nose, and Throat Infections*, we have aimed to guide the family physician, pediatrician, pediatric infectious diseases expert, and ENT specialists in the diagnosis and treatment of these conditions and to manage the neonate, infant, children, and adolescents with optimal care and outcomes, no matter what part of the world they live in.

Total 222 author colleagues from 34 countries collaborated with their willingness, enthusiasm, cooperation, effort, and time dedicated to preparing this book. The *Pediatric Ear, Nose, and Throat Infections* could not have been created without the mentorship, professional expertise, co-authorship, and enthusiastic support of our authors, including worldwide-known experts in the fields of pediatric infectious diseases and otorhinolaryngology. We have been exceptionally fortunate to have been able to work with them and count on their collaboration. Not enough words could be written to sufficiently express our heartfelt gratitude towards them.

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