The British Medical Association (BMA) Annual Medical Book Awards were announced at a ceremony in London on September 17, 2017. Twenty awards were presented. The "high commended in oncology" award was given to Pediatric Radiation Oncology, sixth edition, by Louis S. Constine, Nancy J. Tarbell, and Edward C. Halperin.

The referee’s citation for the book read, in part, for "Radiation oncologists in training or practice, medical radiation physicists and dosimetrists, as well as paediatric oncologists Pediatric Radiation Oncology, Sixth Edition continues to be the premier reference that offers comprehensive coverage of this challenging area for... [those] interested in understanding childhood malignancies. This definitive text has been completely updated to reflect recent advances in the field. Manageable in size and engaging to read, it efficiently synthesises data on pathogenesis, pathology, diagnostic workup, staging, treatment approaches (particularly radiation therapy – indications, doses, volumes, and treatment planning), and toxic outcomes, as well as guidance on decision making when data is lacking. For 30 years, this standard reference has helped demystify radiation therapy for childhood cancer and contributed to the quality and quantity of life for children affected by this disease. This is a book I would eagerly recommend to my trainees...as well as nurse specialists to help them understand the role of radiation oncology in the treatment of childhood tumours. It is a very well-written comprehensive text that is perfectly pitched to its intended audience. It is a well-produced book with effective and very useful digital access via a reliable platform ...[The first] chapter putting this book and treatment of children’s cancer in context is thought provoking and a great start to the book. The division of the chapters into disease types mirror clinical practice and makes the book easy to navigate. The illustrations, table and figures are well-done and complement the text in an optimal manner. I thoroughly enjoyed reading the book."