

Rules for Operations—Statistics show that operations are more successfully performed when the ☾ is increasing in light, between the New and Full ☾, and heal more quickly, and are less liable to complications than when the ☾ is past the full and decreasing. Note the following Rules—

- (1) Operate in the increase of the ☾ if possible.
- (2) Do not operate at the exact time of the Full ☾, as the fluids are running high at this time.
- (3) Never operate when the ☾ is in the same sign as at birth.
- (4) Never operate upon that part of the body ruled by the sign thru which the ☾ is passing at the time, but wait a day or two until the ☾ passes into the next sign below, and especially if the ☾ be in ♌, ♍, or ♎ ♀, ♁, ♃, ♅, or ♄ at the time. This rule should be especially followed in major operations. Ptolemy says, "Pierce not with iron that part of the body which may be governed by the sign actually occupied by the Moon".
- (5) Do not operate when the ☾ is applying closely to the ♁ or ♀ the ☉, ♃, or ♅.
- (6) Let the ☾ be increasing in light, and in ♋ or ♌ ♃ or ♄, and not afflicted by ♅.
- (7) Let the ☾ be in a fixed sign, but not in the sign ruling the part to be operated upon, and such sign of the ☾ also not on the Asc.
- (8) Do not operate when the ☾ is applying to any aspect of ♅, as such tends to danger of inflammation and complications after the operation.
- (9) Avoid operation when the ☉ is in the sign ruling the part upon which the operation is to be performed.
- (10) Never operate when the ☾ is combust, or within 17° of the ☉, and with the ☾ ♀ at the same time.
- (11) The ☾ should be free from all manner of impediment.
- (12) ♃, ♄, and the ruler of the Asc. should be in the Asc. or in the M.C., if possible, and free from ♅ affliction.
- (13) Fortify the Sign ruling the part of the body to be operated upon.
- (14) A ♄ hour is evil for surgical operations.
- (15) Do not cut a nerve when ♃ is afflicted. (See Amputations, Death, and the various paragraphs in this section).

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