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Testamonials

'A prescription for suspense: where medicine meets malevolence."

-Deborah Shlian MD, award winning author thriller Silent Survivior, and Leaders in STEM.

"Author Jo Loveday brings to life her real-world hospital experience in crafting this realistic medical thriller. Love, beträyal, and moral conflicts are woven into the pat and characters as nurse-turnedamateur-sleuth, Ariel Savin, is unwittingly framed for a Recovery Room accident. The deeper she digs into the privately funded neuro unit at her hospital, and the closer she gets to the truth, the more her own life is imperiled. Fans of Robin Cook's blockbuster, Coma, have a new heroine to route for."

-Victor Acquista MD, award-winning Venom and Flame series author.

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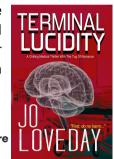
JO LOVEDAY

Jo Loveday is the author behind those thrillers that keep you up way past your bedtime, with just enough romance to make things interesting. She loves diving into concealed secrets with themes of integrity, morality, and the mysterious stuff that goes on in our heads. With a background as a registered nurse, Jo brings a whole lot of compassion and medical know-how to her writing, giving you an authentic peek into the human condition.

When Jo picks up her pen, she takes you on a wild ride through suspense and intrique, with moral dilemmas and hidden truths lurking around every corner. She strives for captivating storytelling that will open your heart and mind for a long time after you've turned the last page.

Born in the frosty tundra of Winnipeg, Canada, Jo decided she'd had enough of freezing her tail off. Landing a job offer in Florida, she made a beeline for balmy weather. Now she's spinning spellbinding novels, penning heartfelt poetry, and occasionally creating some hilariously bad artwork lakeside with an undocumented number of alligators.

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Terminal Lucidity - a Medical Thriller

A nurse fights to expose a sinister conspiracy in the hospital neuro unit where patients' minds are reprogrammed and their lives sacrificed for profit.

First, do no harm... A deadly storm is brewing off the sultry coast of Florida and within the sterile Lessons Learned: Stories From women walls of Palm Beach County's Becham Hospital. Nurse Ariel Savin thrives in the demanding world of critical care, but on an assignment to the neurological unit, she discovers a horrifying secret: esteemed neurosurgeon Dr. Harold Goss is performing questionable experiments on his helpless patients, trapping them as living cadavers in a shadowy half-world between life and death.

> Goss built his neurological unit for research in brain stem regeneration to save the life of his brain-dead wife. But funding for Goss's noble quest has dried up. Dark investors step in with a plan to commodify human consciousness, trading lives for profit. They're demanding more bodies. It's up to Goss to provide them. He's not about to let Ariel or ethical dilemmas get in his way.

> Falsely accused of causing a patient's brain death, Ariel's reputation is in shambles. Her father's life hangs by a thread and her partner is unwittingly tangled in a web of deceit. Ariel faces a whirlwind of betrayal and loss as a hurricane draws closer. She's in a harrowing race against time to outwit death and unravel the truth. Her next breath is not guaranteed. Can Ariel outwit sinister predators and thwart a medical massacre, or will the oncoming storm demolish all hope for love and justice?

Potential questions for discussions topics

The use of artificial intelligence in humans with implants.

Is artificial intelligence being used in people? What's the most common AI implant being used? How do people qualify for an AI implant?

The ethics of maintaining living cadavers and doing medical research on them.

- -What would motivate a family member to want to have their loved one kept alive after brain death?
- -Can individuals put a stipulation in their will or living will to be kept alive when brain-dead like some people ask to be preserved with cryo?
- -What happens to the person if the experimental treatments don't work?

Privacy issues with AI implants.

- -Could an AI implant in someone's brain allow access to passwords, hacking or blackmail?
- -How about autonomy? How do you prevent third parties from manipulating a person's thoughts?
- -What could long-term effects of an AI implant be?

The use of stem cells for regenerating body parts.

- -Can stem cells be used to regenerate body parts?
- -Could embryonic stem cells carry genes that could tell the body to start over?
- -What are the negative things associated with stem cell use currently?

Levels of consciousness in humans.

- -The title of your book is Terminal Lucidity. What exactly is terminal lucidity?
- -We all know the difference between being awake and asleep. What are other levels of consciousness?
- -Can we determine if a person medically deemed brain-dead has a level of consciousness we don't know about?

The use of intuition in the medical arts.

- -Medicine is very scientific. Clinical trials are needed for just about everything. Do you think that nurses and doctors ever use intuition?
- -As a nurse, how do you learn to trust your intuition?
- -Do you think doctors use intuition as much as nurses?

Jo Loveday's writing process.

- -How did you begin writing?
- -How do you choose what to write about?
- -What's your favorite aspect about writing?