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Social Construction and Social Work Practice-Stanley L. Witkin 2011-11-22 Social construction addresses the cultural factors and social dynamics that give rise to and maintain values and beliefs. Drawing on postmodern philosophies and critical, social, and literary theories, social construction has become an important and influential framework for practice and research within social work and related fields. Embracing inclusivity and multiplicity, social construction provides a framework for knowledge and practice that is particularly congruent with social work values and aims. In this accessible collection, Stanley L. Witkin showcases the innovative ways in which social construction may be understood and expressed in practice. He calls on experienced practitioner-scholars to share their personal accounts of interpreting and applying social constructionist ideas in different settings (such as child welfare agencies, schools, and the courts) and with diverse clientele (such as "resistant" adolescents, disadvantaged families, indigenous populations, teachers, children in protective custody, refugee youth, and adult perpetrators of sexual crimes against children). Eschewing the prescriptive stance of most theoretical frameworks, social construction can seem challenging for students and practitioners. This book responds with rich, illustrative descriptions of how social constructionist thinking has inspired practice approaches, illuminating the diversity and creative potential of practices that draw on social constructionist ideas. Writing in a direct, accessible style, contributors translate complex concepts into the language of daily encounter and care, and through a committed transnational focus they demonstrate the global reach and utility of their work. Chapters are provocative and thoughtful, reveal great suffering and courage, share inspiring stories of strength and renewal, and acknowledge the challenges of an approach that complicates evidence-based evaluations and requirements.

Constructing Social Work Practices-Arja Jokinen 2018-12-17 First published in 1999, Jokinen , Juhila and Poso comprises both theoretical/reflexive articles and articles based on empirical social constructionist studies. It provokes new ways of looking at social work practices as interpretative and interactive processes. In addition to this theoretical and methodological contribution, the volume provides empirically based material on the practical implications of an alliance between social work and social constructionism.

Constructing Clienthood in Social Work and Human Services-Christopher Hall 2003 This volume explores social work as a series of encounters - between clients and social workers, their colleagues and other professionals, and more widely between citizens and the state.

Translation and Implementation of Evidence-Based Practice-Lawrence A. Palinkas 2011-12-23 This book is about conducting research on the process and outcomes of the translation and implementation of evidence-based practices in social work. Its aims are to outline a strategy for conducting such research and to identify the infrastructure and resources necessary to support such research within the field of social work.

Constructing Clienthood in Social Work and Human Services-Kirsi Juhila 2003-07-15 This innovative book explores social work, therapy and counselling as a series of encounters - between clients and human services professionals, social workers, their colleagues and other professionals, and more widely between citizens and the state. Providing a variety of social constructionist perspectives on the idea of the 'client', it presents in-depth discussion of the roles, language and contexts of meetings between social workers and their clients. International contributors present discussion on categorization, analysing identities and reflexive practice. Drawing data from a variety of sources, including meetings, client files and transcribed dialogues with clients, the book employs methods such as conversation and discourse analysis to propose new insights into what it means to be a client of the human services agency. Bringing together a rich variety of data, this volume forms an important contribution to major debates on the nature of social work and counselling. As well as innovative approaches to theory and research, the implications for practice in social work and counselling are discussed. Challenging previously-held notions about clienthood, this book is a useful and thought-provoking resource for social workers, counsellors, policy makers, academics, researchers and students and trainers in social work and counselling.

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Quantitative Research Methods for Social Work-Barbra Teater 2017-09-16 Quantitative research makes a very important contribution to both understanding and responding effectively to the problems that social work service users face. In this unique and authoritative text, a group of expert authors explore the key areas of data collection, analysis and evaluation and outline in detail how they can be applied to practice.

Generalist Social Work Practice-Karla Krogsrud Miley 2016-01-04 Revised edition of the authors' Generalist social work practice, 2013.

Building Effective Social Work Teams-Judy Foster 2016-11-14 How has social work changed over the years? What are some of the best social work teams doing differently to meet the complex practical and emotional needs of service users? What practical tools and approaches can social work managers implement with their teams? Dr. Judy Foster examines good social work practice and the supporting factors that are essential to underpin social work teams - coherent policies; well-qualified and motivated staff; good management support structures; delegated autonomy and discretion for social workers; and mental space to allow reflective and creative problem solving. She illustrates the dilemmas and rewards of social work relationships through personal stories from her own career as a social worker, manager and teacher - and interviews with social workers and managers. These examples show the relationship between 'doing' something for someone and 'being' emotionally present to empower a service user to manage better. The book is intended to help social work managers improve the support environment for their teams - and hence their effectiveness - and to inform students and others in related professions interested in learning more about social work. It will also have a wide appeal to an international social work readership.

Social Work Practice-John Poulin, PhD, MSW 2019-11-15 This primary social work practice text, built around the nine core 2015 CSWE competencies, is the only book available that provides students with the benefits of a fully integrated competency-based approach. *Social Work Practice: A Competency-Based Approach* immediately immerses students in the competencies required for social work practice at the micro, mezzo and macro levels. Designed for use in both upper level BSW and foundation level MSW social work practice courses, the book is uniquely structured to deliver the knowledge and skills students need to develop mastery of the professional social work competencies. Chapters provide a comprehensive overview of the theories, concepts, and practice components related to each competency. Engaging vignettes, chapter objectives that outline key concepts, abundant case examples, critical-thinking questions, and a detailed case summary with discussion questions in each chapter, help students deepen their understanding of practical applications of the nine core competencies. Each chapter uses the same case to perfectly illustrate the complexity of social work practice and the interconnections among the professional competencies. A robust supplementary instructor package includes PowerPoints, competency-based class assignments with grading rubrics, and sample syllabi. Print version of book includes free, searchable, digital access to entire contents. Key Features: Uniquely organized with a fully integrated competency-based approach Devotes one or more chapters to each of the nine CSWE professional competencies Delivers abundant case studies that facilitate in-depth understanding and integration of competencies Provides case vignettes, critical thinking and discussion questions, and chapter summaries Includes supplementary

instructor resources such as PowerPoints, group discussion questions, and competency-based written assignments with grading rubrics
Offers sample syllabi for two separate one-semester courses and a seven-week online course
Includes Student Resources, featuring online forms, templates, exercises, plans, and more to provide students with ample practice opportunities

Critical Practice in Social Work-Robert Adams 2009-04-16 What do social workers need to know in order to practise skilfully and effectively? Edited by three Social Work's leading scholars, the second edition of this highly respected textbook helps bridge the gap between social work theory and the challenges of day-to-day practice. Versatile and thoughtful, the book's simultaneous accessibility and depth make it essential reading suited for both social work students at undergraduate and post-qualifying level. Practitioners, too, will learn and benefit from the insights collected together in this valuable addition to their bookshelf.

Rethinking Anti-Discriminatory and Anti-Oppressive Theories for Social Work Practice-Christine Cocker 2014-07-23 For years anti-discriminatory and anti-oppressive practice have been embedded in the social work landscape. Thinking beyond the mainstream approaches, this book critically examines some of the core concepts and issues in social work, providing fresh perspectives and opportunities for educators, students and practitioners of social work.

Social Work Theories in Context-Karen Healy 2022-07-28 This popular and innovative core text book explores contemporary social work theories and perspectives in a systematic way, using an integrated and flexible framework to link context, theory, and practice approaches. Healy expertly provides an applied guide to social work theory across a range of organisational contexts, showing social work as a diverse activity that is profoundly shaped by professional purpose, public policy, and practice locations. This edition has been comprehensively updated to reflect developments in the contexts and theorising of social work practices. This is ideal reading to support and develop undergraduate and postgraduate students taking modules on Social Work Theories and Methods on qualifying professional programmes. Its international breadth and supportive pedagogical features have ensured the book's value to students of social work all over the world. New to this edition: - New sections on post-humanism and eco-social work - Coverage of a broader range of critical approaches including feminist and anti-racial social work - Additional practice exercises drawn from realistic case studies.

Child and Family Assessment in Social Work Practice-Sally Holland 2010-11-15 This thoroughly revised and updated second edition of Child and Family Assessment in Social Work Practice is an essential guide for social work students and practitioners involved in the

assessment of children and their families. Focusing on 'core' assessments and guiding the reader through the complexities of conducting assessments of need and risk, the book now includes within each chapter a range of specifically-tailored exercises and focus points which encourage readers both to reflect on what they have learnt and to understand how they can apply that learning to practice. Placing a strong emphasis on good, evidence-based, assessment practice, Sally Holland has also, for this new edition, included original research evidence from a wide range of up-to-date research studies which are relevant to today's practice and which aim to promote a critical and reflective approach to the assessment process. The book is divided into three parts: - Part 1 explores different approaches to assessment work, outlining policy changes and their implications for working with children and their families. - Part 2 studies those involved in child and family assessments: children and their parents; and the relationship between the assessors and the assessed. - Part 3 - a more practical guide - outlines the actual process of an assessment, illustrated by case studies, focusing on planning assessment methods, analysis, reporting and critical evaluation. Accessibly relating theory and research to actual practice through the use of case studies, exercises, and suggestions for good practice and further reading, this book has a student-friendly structure. It will be an invaluable resource for practitioners and academics across the field of social welfare, particularly for those embarking on, or already involved in, child and family assessment.

Reflective Practice in Education and Social Work-Robyn Ewing 2021-11-19 This book offers unique interdisciplinary insights into developing connections between reflective practice and employability particularly through the lenses of the education and social work professions. It recognises the various meanings that can be applied to the notion of reflection and examines the challenges of using reflective practice in the workplace. The chapters explore the tensions that arise from preparing professionals to be agents of change and concerned with social justice and equity. Further, the book provides much needed perspective on how diverse positions can be identified and leveraged and shared meanings negotiated in the creation of meaningful professional learning resources for early career teachers and social workers and across the career continuum. Bringing together contributions from internationally renowned scholars, *Reflective Practice in Education and Social Work* is essential reading for early career and experienced professionals in education and social work, academics and practitioners seeking further professional development in reflective practice.

Language Practices in Social Work-Christopher Hall 2020-04-23 Analysis of language and discourse in social sciences has become increasingly popular over the past thirty years. Only very recently has it been applied to the study of social work, despite the fact that communication and language are central to social work practice. This book looks at how social workers, their clients and other professionals categorise and manage the problems of social work in ways which are rendered understandable, accountable and which justify professional intervention. Features include: studies of key practice areas in social work, such as interviews, case conferences,

home visits analysis of the language and construction used in typical case studies of everyday social work practice exploration of the ways in which professionals can examine their own practice and uncover the discursive, narrative and rhetorical methods that they use. The purpose of this engaging study is to increase awareness of language and discourse in order to help develop better practice in social work. It is essential reading for professionals in social work, child welfare and the human services and will be a valuable contribution to the study of professional language and communication.

Chapters 1-5-Associate Professor and Director of Field Education Julie Birkenmaier 2017-05-25 The fourth edition of *The Practice of Generalist Social Work* continues to teach students to apply micro, macro, and mezzo social work skills. This new edition strengthens the connection between the three levels of practice and is fully updated to the 2015 EPAS. This edition also contains more illustrations of theory and more context for deciding which type of intervention is a good fit. Most chapters now open with a case study and continually refer back to the case to provide additional connections between theory and real-life practice. Each chapter also incorporates a link to a Grand Challenge of Social Work from the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare, which shows the connection between social work and the most significant societal challenges of today. The Quick Guides within the text offer students guidance for their field experience and practice after graduation. The text also comes with a rich companion website that includes support materials and six unique cases that encourage students to learn by doing. Go to www.routledgesw.com to explore the cases and additional resources.

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Social Justice Theory and Practice for Social Work-Lynelle Watts 2019-01-01 This book offers a much-needed critical overview of the concept of social justice and its application in professional social work practice. Social justice has a rich conceptual genealogy in critical theory and political philosophy. For students, teachers and social workers concerned with empowerment, social change and human rights, this book provides a guide to the key ideas and thinkers, crucial historical developments and contemporary debates about social justice. It synthesises interdisciplinary knowledge and offers a new framework for practice, including a clear and practical exposition of four domains of skills and knowledge important for social justice informed social work. The book also contributes to social work pedagogy by offering a comprehensive set of learning outcomes that can be used to design curriculum, teaching and learning, and further research into social justice praxis. This book provides a range of philosophical and critical perspectives to support and inform social work professional knowledge and skills. In its tight knitting together of theory and practice this book links philosophical and moral principles with an understanding of how to engage with social justice in a way that is relevant to social work.

Key Concepts in Social Work Practice-Aidan Worsley 2012-11-12 This book is a quick and accessible reference guide to the key concepts that social work students and professionals need to understand to be effective. The authors place practice at the centre of the text, and include a host of case examples to bring the concepts to life. Examining the essential topics of the social work curriculum, the concepts covered relate to practice, theory, policy and personal challenges. Further reading is included in each entry, so that the reader can explore what they have learned in more detail. This book will be an invaluable resource for social work students during their studies and on their practice placement. It will also be useful for qualified social workers, who want to continue their professional education.

Contemporary Social Work Practice: A Handbook For Students-Teater, Barbra 2014-04-01 An introduction to the diverse settings of social work, detailing the relevant policy context, methods and approaches.

Anti-Oppressive Social Work Practice and the Carceral State-JUDITH S. WILLISON 2022 With violent policing, inhumane detention and imprisonment, community surveillance and loss of civil rights, the criminal legal system is unjust; and it is crucial for social workers to understand and take steps toward change. Under the guise of helping adults in multiple correctional contexts, social workers have historically engaged in efforts that privilege the carceral system and reproduce its harmful apparatus that extends to families and communities. *Anti-Oppressive Social Work Practice and the Carceral State* plots a path to change by using an anti-oppressive and transformative approach. Patricia O'Brien and Judith S. Willison critically examine strategies to shift punishment-centered practices to build collaborative partnerships and possibilities toward decarceration and individual and community power.

Social Work Practices-Karen Healy 2000-01-28 Karen Healy profoundly challenges, in the context of the postmodernity of late capitalism, many of the assumptions upon which the critical tradition in social work has been founded. This is a book which interrogates not only the emancipatory metanarratives of left perspectives from her position within the left, but also questions many of the received ideas about her professional power and identity, and about the kinds of social work practices necessary in order to continue to pursue welfare as an emancipatory project under transformed ideological and material circumstances. This is a most significant contribution to the debates which confront social work, worldwide, at the present time.' - Peter Leonard, McGill University, Canada

The Practice of Macro Social Work-William G Brueggemann 2013-03-15 Intended for those who want to make a difference in today's modern society, this comprehensive book explores the theory and methods in nine arenas of macro social work at the community, organizational, societal, and global levels of practice. *THE PRACTICE OF MACRO SOCIAL WORK*, Fourth Edition, challenges readers to use their concern, values, and critical thinking skills to assist those who struggle and have been excluded from making decisions that affect their lives--and to empower these less fortunate individuals to reclaim a healthy social environment for themselves and their children. The book's generalist orientation provides an organizational framework as well as history, biographical material on leading macro social workers, illustrative contemporary examples, and factual data that offers real life detail. Most important is the depth and wealth of practical information that assists readers in understanding how to help people engage in solving social problems, and in influencing social change to bring about a more just society and humane global civilization. Available with InfoTrac Student Collections <http://goengage.com/infotrac>. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Social Work Education and Practice: Scholarship and Innovations in the Asia Pacific-Nikku Bala Raju 2014 Social work as a

body of knowledge is and should be in a constant state of dynamism. No region, theory or model should claim exclusivity to the profession and new ideas viz-a-viz 'innovations' have to be viewed as adding to the richness of that body. In writing this book the authors aim to highlight how important it is, across the globe, to advance society via the classroom. The book's editors argue that one has only to summon the courage to challenge existing and dominant paradigms and models to begin to enhance the field of social work. This book shares a range of innovations that are taking place in schools of social work in universities in the Asia Pacific region. The book focuses on exemplifying innovation in social work and its associated scholarship.

Making Social Work News-Meryl Aldridge 2002-09-11 First published in 1994. Routledge is an imprint of Taylor & Francis, an informa company.

Solution-oriented Social Work Practice-Gilbert J. Greene 2011-01-01 Too often in practice, there is a tendency to pathologize clients, requiring a diagnosis as part of the helping relationship. Suppose, however, that most of the client problems that social workers encounter have more to do with the vagaries of life and not with what clients are doing wrong. This powerful idea is the philosophy behind the strengths-based approaches to social work. This groundbreaking practice handbook takes this concept one step further, combining the different strengths-based approaches into an overarching model of solution-oriented social work for greater impact. The strengths perspective emphasizes client strengths, goal-setting, and a shared definition of positive outcome. Solution-focused therapy approaches ongoing problems when they have temporarily abated, amplifying exceptions as solutions. This natural but rarely explored pairing is one component in the challenging and effective practice framework presented here by the authors, two seasoned practitioners with over 50 years of combined experience. By integrating the most useful aspects of the major approaches, a step-by-step plan for action emerges. With this text in hand, you will: - Integrate elements from the strengths perspective, solution-focused therapy, narrative therapy, and the strategic therapy of the Mental Research Institute (the MRI approach) into an effective and eclectic framework - Build and practice your skills using case examples, transcripts, and practical advice - Equip yourself with the tools you need to emphasize clients' strengths - Challenge the diagnosis-first medical model of behavioral health care - Collaborate with clients to get past thinking (first-order change), and more to acting "outside the box" (second-order change) - Learn to work with a wide variety of clients, including individuals, groups, and families; involuntary clients; clients with severe mental illness; and clients in crisis For any student or practitioner interested in working with clients towards collaborative and empowering change, this is the essential text.

Reflective Practice in Social Work-Christine Knott 2016-03-26 Reflective practice is at the heart of becoming a competent and

confident social worker. It's both a key element of learning and development on social work courses and an important aspect of social work practice. This accessible and introductory text explores a range of approaches to reflective practice that aims to help students become more confident in answering key questions, including 'what is reflective practice?', 'how do I develop as a reflective practitioner?', 'how do I maintain reflective practice in key contexts?'. There are sections on writing reflective journals, communicating well with service users and carers and reflective practice while on placements.

Human Behavior Theory and Social Work Practice-Roberta Rubin Greene 1999 This new edition of Human Behavior Theory and Social Work Practice provides a broadly synthetic approach to selecting theoretical concepts crucial to one's activities in casework. Centered on the notion of the client as an individual, Roberta Greene and the contributing authors examine the biological, psychological, and social aspects of development, and evaluate their utility for social work practice. Social work is characterized by a dynamic helping process and a diversity of roles, and functions. The aims of social work--to improve societal conditions for individuals, families, and groups--are put into action across all fields of practice and realized through a variety of methods in a range of settings. To work in the field, it is important to acquire conceptual frameworks that help one understand the complexities of contemporary practice. This volume is concerned with the application of knowledge about behavior in the social environment that serves as the theoretical underpinning for direct practice in social work. The chapters explore the ways in which specific theories have contributed to understanding the person in the environment construct and examine the idea that all clinical social work intervention is anchored in reshaping the context of the person in the environment configuration. The book explores the challenges and limitations of the various theories in use and addresses many relevant questions: What does the theory offer for understanding development across the lifecycle? What does each theory suggest about the interaction among biological, psychological, and sociocultural factors of human development and functioning? What does the theory suggest about healthy/functional and unhealthy/dysfunctional behaviors or wellness? Is theory universal in its application, and may it lend itself to cross-cultural social work practice? What role does theory propose for the social worker as an agent of change? Human Behavior Theory and Social Work Practice is an original contribution to social work theory, and will be mandatory reading for anyone pursuing a career in the field. Roberta R. Greene is professor and the Louis and Ann Wolens Centennial Chair in Gerontology and Social Welfare at the School of Social Work, University of Texas at Austin. She is the author of Human Behavior Theory: A Diversity Framework and Social Work with the Aged and Their Families.

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Knowledge-in-Practice in the Caring Professions-Struan Jacobs 2016-04-22 Knowledge-in-Practice in the Caring Professions explores the nature and role of knowledge in the practical work of the caring professions. It focuses on knowledge of the practical over the theoretical, looking at the application of theory and the implementation of skill, judgment and discretion. Containing contributions from experts in a variety of fields, the research within this book offers a unique perspective on professional practice as multi-disciplinary, illustrating shared and overlapping understandings in knowledge-in-practice between the different professions as well as understandings that are distinctive to each discipline. It underlines that in order to effectively address the range of social, psychological and health problems facing contemporary societies, professionals need to engage in cooperative models of practice.

Best Practice with Children and Families-Barry Cooper 2014-12-12 Social work practice with children, young people and families is complex, highly skilled - and fascinating. Writing about social work increasingly acknowledges the complexities and uncertainties of practice but rarely features the voice of the social worker themselves. This book takes a different approach, that of Critical Best Practice: a constructive, realistic and strengths-based approach that takes as its starting point the telling and analysing of in depth stories about 'live' practice. The reader is encouraged to join the social work practitioner or manager as they engage with the everyday dilemmas and uncertainties of 21st century practice. Ten narratives, based round the themes of relationships, risk, and negotiation & problem solving provide varied opportunities for critical reflection and learning about social work in different contexts. Insights are offered into social

work with children, from young babies to adolescents, and families with differing needs in different parts of the UK: England, Scotland and Wales.

EBOOK: Ethics, Values and Social Work Practice-Linda Bell 2015-03-16 A framework of ethics and values forms the foundation of social workers' professional identities. Ethics and values should shape the way that social workers practice and how they impact upon the lives of the service users they work to support. In a fast-moving world influenced by shifting policy, tight budgets and changing practice standards, students and practitioners need to anchor their understanding of themselves to clear principles for ethical practice. Ethics, Values and Social Work Practice is a brand new text offering students and social work practitioners a contemporary and relevant introduction to the central role of ethics and values in their work. In addition to a grounding in the major trends in ethics applied to social work, this book also provides perspectives on: How to situate ethics and values in social work practice How to understand ethics as part of reflective practice as both student and practitioner How ethics and values link to concepts of power, diversity and social justice The role of ethics and values in interprofessional and partnership working The guiding principles and ethics inherent in relationship-based social work. The book supports student learning by providing: Discussion points to allow time for individual reflection or ethical debates Case studies based on likely scenarios from practice, with reflection points to help social workers engage with the issues raised Chapter summaries and key points for social work practice to reinforce the relevance of your learning to real social work practice A glossary of key terms as a reference for key ethics terms and concepts. Contributors: Pat Cartney, Jean Dillon, Souzy Dracopoulou, Ann Flynn, Alison Higgs, Mina Hyare , Colin Whittington, Margaret Whittington and Tom Wilks “This is an excellent edited reader providing students and practitioners with a grounding in ethics and values whilst linking these to specific practice and the development of professional identity, inclusion and reflective practice. This book will be an essential reader for those in qualifying social work programmes, ASYE staff, practitioners and academics.” Hugh McLaughlin, Professor of Social Work, Manchester Metropolitan University, UK “This book provides an exceptional exposé of ethics and values in social work practice. Conceptual clarity and critical presentations of contemporary debates are presented in a systematic text. It is written in an accessible style and the content will prove valuable to social work students, practitioners and researchers alike. This is one of the most comprehensive books on ethics and values in social work practice available in the market.” Professor Lambert Engelbrecht, Department of Social Work, Stellenbosch University, South Africa

Social Work Practice-Eileen D. Gambrill 2006-02-23 Presents step-by-step guidelines and useful examples for each phase of practice, from assessment to intervention to evaluation. This book's key focus remains on emphasizing the importance of critical thinking in making sound practice decisions. It is filled with practical advice, real-life scenarios, exercises, and guidance.

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Chapters 1-5: The Practice of Generalist Social Work, Third Edition-Associate Professor and Director of Field Education Julie Birkenmaier 2014-01-21 This text for generalist practice courses is also available with a treasure trove of related materials for use in a two or three-course practice sequence. The text helps translate the guiding theoretical perspectives of social justice, human rights, and critical social construction into purposeful social work practice. Six unique cases, specially written for this Series, provide a "learning by doing" framework unavailable from any other social work publisher. Companion readings and many other resources enable this text to be the centerpiece for three semesters of practice teaching. Go to www.routledgesw.com to learn more. This custom edition includes the first five chapters for instructors teaching the first semester of a three-semester generalist practice sequence, and is also available in e-book editions in a full range of digital formats.

Social Work and Social Development-James Midgley 2010-05-19 Social workers have been involved in social development for many years, but it is only recently that these ideas have been explicitly applied to social work practice. The result is that a new and distinctive approach to social work practice known as developmental social work has emerged. Developmental social work emphasizes the role of

social investment in professional practice. These investments meet the material needs of social work's clients and facilitate their full integration into the social and economic life of the community. Developmental social workers believe that client strengths and capabilities need to be augmented with public resources and services if those served by the profession are to live productive and fulfilling lives. Although developmental social work is inspired by international innovations, particularly in the developing countries, it is highly relevant to practice in the United States and other Western nations. In the first book to lay out a clear framework for developmental social work practice, chapters will focus on the traditional fields of social work practice, showing how social investment strategies can be adopted by social workers in their daily practice with populations including families and children, people with mental illness, homeless youth, people with disabilities, the elderly, and those in the correctional system. By facilitating clients' full social and economic participation through a variety of strategies, such as microenterprise or asset-building programs, practitioners can help bring about meaningful changes in clients' lives and throughout their communities. The editors and contributors offer a highly original exposition of developmental social work theory and practice, providing a definitive guide to an emerging and exciting new approach to practice.

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