



Managing Madness in the Community: The Challenge of Contemporary Mental Health Care (Paperback)

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Rutgers University Press, United States, 2014. Paperback. Condition: New. New. Language: English . Brand New Book. While mental illness and mental health care are increasingly recognised and accepted in today s society, awareness of the most severely mentally ill - as well as those who care for them - is still dominated by stereotypes. Managing Madness in the Community dispels the myth. Readers will see how treatment options often depend on the social status, race and gender of both clients and carers; how ideas in the field of mental health care - conflicting priorities and approaches - actually affect what happens on the ground; and how, amid the competing demands of clients and families, government agencies, bureaucrats and advocates, the fragmented American mental health system really works - or doesn t. In the wake of movies like One Flew Over the Cuckoo s Nest and Shutter Island, most people picture the severely or chronically mentally ill being treated in cold, remote and forbidding facilities. But the reality is very different. Today the majority of deeply troubled mental patients get treatment in nonprofit community organisations. And it is to two such organisations in the Midwest that this study looks for answers. Drawing...

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