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everyday life is defined and characterized by the rise transformation and fall of social practices using terminology that is both accessible and sophisticated this book guides the reader through a multi level analysis of this dynamic the book provides discussion of real world examples such as the history of car driving and the emergence of frozen food bringing abstract concepts to life and grounding them in empirical case studies and new research demonstrating the relevance of social theory for public policy problems the authors show that the everyday is the basis of social transformation this book addresses key topics in social theory such as the basic structures of social life the character of human activity and the nature of individuality drawing on the work of wittgenstein the author develops an account of social existence that argues that social practices are the fundamental phenomenon in social life this approach offers new insight into the social formation of individuals surpassing and critiquing the existing practice theories of bourdieu giddens lyotard and oakeshott social theory and social practice is a unique effort at applied social theory hans l zetterberg believes that social research has now advanced so far that social scientists can give advice without being restricted to new research projects they can use previously proven theories as the basis for sound practical recommendations this approach has profound implications in the application of social science to problems in business management labor strife government decision making in such areas as education health and human welfare it remains a pioneering discourse for practitioners of social research and social policy zetterberg gives a searching review of the various ways in which social practitioners attempt to use the accumulated knowledge of social science he proceeds with a compact summary of the knowledge of the academicians of social science noting that practitioners are often unaware of much useful academic knowledge the process by which this knowledge is transformed into practical advice is spelled out in detail and is illustrated with examples from an actual consultation about problems faced by an art museum that wanted to increase its audience chapter 1 identifies the problem chapter 2 the knowledge of social practitioners outlines practitioners reliance on scientific knowledge chapter 3 the knowledge of social theorists discusses sociological terms and sociological law chapter 4 the practical use of social theory through scholarly consultants explores the actual specificity of social theory and its uses while the concluding chapter examines the uses of consultants covering some prerequisites for the successful use of applied science the book rejects the widespread view that in order to put social science to use we have to popularize its content zetterberg s approach is rather to translate a client s problem into a powerful theoretical statement the solution to which is calculated and then presented to the client as down to earth advice this volume will be of immediate interest to scholars in the field of social theory to consultants and practitioners who give advice on social problems and policy decisions and to executives who use advice from social scientists social work is a human profession founded on social justice it is difficult however to negotiate this in the constantly changing context of the twenty first century now in its second edition this book considers the critical tradition of social work and updates it with postmodern thinking jan fook draws on critical reflection to help social workers deliver flexible responsible and responsive practice and to celebrate the ageless ideals of the profession key ideas covered in the text include postmodernism critical theories critical reflection contextuality the author draws on her own experiences to relate theoretical ideas to real life summaries exercises and further reading are also included in each chapter the book will be essential reading for all undergraduate students of social work it will also be a valuable resource for postgraduate students and qualified professionals who want to revisit the critical tradition of social work the focus of this thoroughly revised and updated edition is on the theoretical and practical knowledge that students need to do the tasks of a beginner level social worker it is designed for student in practice courses and those preparing for or already in field placement 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 isa book which interrogates not only

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provide examples of the contortions that thinkers have been forced into by this problem and show the ultimate implausibility of the idea of the interpersonal transmission of these supposed objects without the notion of sameness the concept of practice collapses into the concept of habit the conclusion sketches a picture of what happens when we do without the notion of a shared practice and how this bears on social theory and philosophy it explains why social theory cannot get beyond the stage of constructing fuzzy analogies and why the standard constructions of the contemporary philosophical problem of relativism depend upon this defective notion this book introduces a new integrated framework for social work theory and practice that builds upon five key themes meaning context power history and possibility its central focus a social justice approach to social work reflects the council on social work education's cswe call to better integrate themes of social justice and diversity and social science knowledge into the theory and practice of social work the text prepares students for participatory approaches to engagement teaching learning action accompaniment evaluation critical reflection and celebration the seven core processes of the just practice framework linkages among practice research and policy are integrated throughout the text the book prepares social workers to engage in new forms of collaborative assessment planning intervention and institution building that 21st century practice demands a series of reflection and action exercises are included throughout the text they provide opportunity for creative thought and action bring class participants together in collaborative learning and contribute to the practitioner's tool kit for future social justice work well suited as a primary text for courses in multilevel social work practice at the graduate and advanced undergraduate levels specifically dedicated to the skills that social workers need to advance community practice this creative book is long overdue grounded in the wisdom and evidence of well honed interpersonal social work skills donna hardina's new text takes community practice to a higher level than ever before developed in book form indeed she displays the most thorough understanding of research on community practice that i have read in any community practice text journal of teaching in social work community organization has been a major component of social work practice since the late 19th century it requires a diverse set of abilities interpersonal skills being among the most important this textbook describes the essential interpersonal skills that social workers need in community practice and helps students cultivate them drawing from empirical literature on community social work practice and the author's own experience working with community organizers the book focuses on developing the macro level skills that are especially useful for community organizing it covers relationship building interviewing recruitment community assessment facilitating group decision making and task planning creating successful interventions working with organizations and program evaluation along with examples of specific applications for clarity and ease of use the author employs a framework drawn from a variety of community practice models including social action and social planning transformative popular education and community development approaches and multicultural and feminist approaches the text is linked to the competencies outlined in the council of social work education's 2008 educational policy and accreditation standards epas as well as ethics and values identified in the national association of social workers' nasw code of ethics and the international federation of social workers' statement of ethical principles most chapters begin with a quote from a community organizer explaining how interpersonal skills are used in practice and student exercises conclude each chapter the text also addresses other important skills such as legislative advocacy lobbying and supervision key features describes the essential skills social workers need in community practice and how to acquire them includes examples of specific applications drawn from empirical literature and the author's experience working with community organizers grounded in social justice strengths based and human rights perspectives linked to competencies outlined in epas and values identified in the nasw code of ethics based on a variety of community practice models buy this book make it required reading for every incoming social work student the best resource i've ever found to help with the challenging task of radiating social justice theory into the heart of social work practice accessible real and encouraging doing anti oppressive practice shines the way forward for our entire profession a lifespan approach presenting evidence informed interventions for working with individuals and families social work practice with individuals and families covers assessment of and intervention with

children adolescents adults the elderly and families it offers an array of pedagogical features within each chapter as well as online resources and review questions at the conclusion of each chapter to help guide critical thinking about topics reflecting the current state of evidence informed social work practice each chapter s contributors emphasize the incorporation of wider forms of systematically collected data such as case studies best or promising practices and consumer focused data reading this book will not only give readers the tools to work effectively with individuals and families but also develop their skills in evidence informed practice comprehensive and insightful social work practice with individuals and families is a student and practitioner friendly text identifying the best assessment tools and strategies available for social workers to successfully serve individuals and families facing a broad range of challenges how important is the notion of community to skilled social work this book explores how the concept relates to policy theory and professional practice with analysis of contemporary social problems throughout a variety of community settings this book demonstrates how important community based approaches are to all social workers today the concept of practices whether of representation of political or scientific traditions or of organizational culture is central to social theory in this book stephen turner presents the first analysis and critique of the idea of practice as it has developed in the various theoretical traditions of the social sciences and the humanities understood broadly as a tacit understanding shared by a group the concept of a practice has a fatal difficulty turner argues there is no plausible mechanism by which a practice is transmitted or reproduced the historical uses of the concept from durkheim to kripke s version of wittgenstein provide examples of the contortions that thinkers have been forced into by this problem 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managed care and corporatization for this edition gale goldberg wood and carol t tully have recast the text from the perspective of contemporary social constructionism without altering its main message and organization they have added six new chapters covering ethics the role of the social worker as therapist and community organizer learning and working within the organization and the paradigm dilemma in addition case studies now include greater detail about the client s social context though much has changed since the first edition of this book was published the need for well trained compassionate social workers remains the structural approach to direct practice in social work continues to be an essential resource for practitioners who wish to help their clients confront oppressive social realities and affect system change through political action the strengths perspective in social work practice presents an unrivaled collection of essays that explain the strengths based philosophy demonstrate how it works and provide clear and practical tools for its application it presents a balanced approach to social work practice in contrast to a problems based approach that takes into account the strengths and assets of clients and their environments highlights of the fourth edition six new chapters shifting our habits of mind learning to practice from a strengths perspective chapter 2 examines how social work practice was historically a more problem focused profession and the how the current shift towards strengths plays an important part in our work solving problems from a strengths perspective explores with relevant examples how a practitioner can take a perspective on problems that leads to strengths based and solution focused practices strengths based case management enhancing work with persons with substance abuse problems chapter 8 explores the further extensions of and developments in this important and ground breaking work the resilience of families chapter 11 examines those factors that promote family resilience and how they can be applied in practice consciousness and commitment slave narratives in today s movement

to end poverty chapter 12 applies the lessons of the resistance movements of slaves in order to develop effective and strengths based strategies for ending poverty honoring philosophical traditions the strengths model and the social environment chapter 14 presents the strongest and clearest relationship between environmental resources and individual strengths in practicing from the strengths perspective extensive revisions of existing chapters make this a fresh more up to date book that retains the passion and sensibilities of the previous editions but with innovative examples and revised more current bibliographies don't miss this exciting value added option social work skills demonstrated beginning direct practice cd rom with student manual second edition linda k cummins barry university judith a sevel illinois state university laura pedrick university of wisconsin milwaukee a practical guide to development of crucial social work skills including basic counseling and interviewing techniques in a cd rom format with companion student manual that allows students to work at their own pace social work skills demonstrated beginning direct practice cd rom with student manual is available at a discount when packaged with this text 0 205 47316 4 the fifth edition of the practice of generalist social work expands its foundational and integrative coverage of social work values ethics competencies and behaviors as they relate and function within diverse practice settings through a strengths based perspective students are given a comprehensive overview of the major skills and considerations for practice with individuals families groups communities and organizations encompassing planned change engagement assessment intervention evaluation termination and follow up in response to the challenges and realities of professional practice chapters in this new edition open with a case which is integrated to provide connections between the book's content and real life practice settings each chapter builds on the knowledge gained from previous chapters and provides expanded resources that contain up to date guidance for the beginning practitioner these include consistent and in depth use of key theoretical perspectives and case examples to demonstrate essential knowledge values and skills for generalist social work practice grand challenges from the american academy of social work and social welfare which illustrate the connection between social work and the most significant contemporary challenges in our society a clear focus on generalist social work practice informed by the authors decades of real world practice experience at all levels of engagement and intervention this edition also offers revised and expanded student and instructor resources which are available at routledgesw.com including new conceptually based companion readings access to six unique and interactive case simulations quick guides for improved fieldwork and annotated weblinks for further reading listening and viewing combining comprehensive and current resources in traditional and online formats the new edition of the practice of generalist social work facilitates a dynamic experiential introduction to social work in 1991 the economic and social research council esrc published postgraduate training guidelines throughout the document emphasis is placed on the need for universities to make postgraduate research students aware of the methodological issues that affect their work this text explores the relationship between knowledge methodology and research practice across the broad spectrum of the social sciences in language that is accessible to researchers at all levels of their research careers it follows the themes that there is no single practice or correct methodology and that the diversity and variety in terms of methodology and disciplinary focus are a sign of the sophistication and complexity of the processes of social research the text examines socio cultural contexts of social research and relates them to contemporary shifts in focus such as feminism critical theory and postmodernism the importance of selecting the research methodology most appropriate to the subject discipline concerned is emphasized in a digitally powered society social workers are challenged to embrace new interventions and enhance existing strategies in order to effectively promote social justice the cases in this volume present engaging examples of technology tools in use across micro mezzo and macro practice illuminating the knowledge skills and values required of those who practice social work 2 0 provided by publisher 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 health services practice or working with clients facing health issues requires diverse approaches and wide ranging knowledge in this ground breaking book melissa petrakis draws on the experience and expertise of leading researchers and practitioners to provide a guide to the disparate settings in which social workers are engaged and the conceptual frameworks and skills needed for effective practice the book begins by examining the nature of health social work and considers its core values and principles this section also provides an overview of the social determinants of health part 2 explores key areas of practice including working with children mothers and families hospital based social work domestic and family violence mental health dual diagnosis forensic social work indigenous approaches to health oncology and aged care part 3 looks at politicised issues in the field including working with people living with disability refugee health and concludes by considering how a focus on well being informed by maori approaches could provide new insights into better practice underpinning the book throughout is a clear guide to assessment procedures case management strengths based practices and developing effective partnerships and collaboration social work practice in health is destined to become a key reference tool for social work students and practitioners providing practical evidence based and insightful approaches generalist social work practice provides students with the foundational skills and knowledge needed to serve clients across micro mezzo and macro areas of practice author janice gasker brings a focus on self reflection as the first stage in the planned change process and writes with the perspective that we consider work at all levels of practice simultaneously rather than in isolation in accordance with the 2015 educational policy and accreditation standards epas set forth by the council of social work education cswe the planned change process is presented as dynamic and interactive providing students with a clear understanding of how each stage of the planned change process can be utilized at any point when serving a client system the text spotlights the distinctive characteristics of the worker their values attitudes and experiences that may influence client interaction the text also includes case studies collaborative learning exercises and critical thinking questions to help students apply concepts to practice

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Social Theory and Social Practice 2018-04-24 the focus of this thoroughly revised and updated edition is on the theoretical and practical knowledge that students need to do the tasks of a beginner level social worker it is designed for student in practice courses and those preparing for or already in field placement

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Social Work Practices 2000-01-28 this accessible and introductory text explores a range of reflective practice approaches and personal development to help students demonstrate reflective practice in their assignments it features extensive material on working collaboratively and using reflective practice on placements as well as practical activities and material on effective working with service users and care

Practice Theory and Research 2016-12-19 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 routledgesw.com to explore the cases and additional resources

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Community Practice 2011-02-18 this book provides a unique and compassionate perspective on group social work with a focus on clinical settings in an open and user friendly style author kenneth reid offers practical day to day strategies to help social workers work with people in small groups in a way that is therapeutic growth producing and life enhancing in addition to integrating small groups theory and therapeutic principles social work practice with groups also offers numerous clinical examples that bring the material alive and into context notes to myself vignettes that begin with each chapter and relate the author s experience to the topics in the chapter while they convey a piece of personal and practical wisdom and a focus on the personhood of the group

leader which explores how the practitioner's own personality development and life situation are brought into the therapeutic relationship

Rethinking Social Work 1997 this book presents the first analysis and critique of the idea of practice as it has developed in the various theoretical traditions of the social sciences and the humanities the concept of a practice understood broadly as a tacit possession that is shared by and the same for different people has a fatal difficulty the author argues this object must in some way be transmitted reproduced in bourdieu's famous phrase in different persons but there is no plausible mechanism by which such a process occurs the historical uses of the concept from durkheim to kripke's version of wittgenstein provide examples of the contortions that thinkers have been forced into by this problem and show the ultimate implausibility of the idea of the interpersonal transmission of these supposed objects without the notion of sameness the concept of practice collapses into the concept of habit the conclusion sketches a picture of what happens when we do without the notion of a shared practice and how this bears on social theory and philosophy it explains why social theory cannot get beyond the stage of constructing fuzzy analogies and why the standard constructions of the contemporary philosophical problem of relativism depend upon this defective notion

Social Work Research in Practice 2013-10-31 this book introduces a new integrated framework for social work theory and practice that builds upon five key themes meaning context power history and possibility its central focus a social justice approach to social work reflects the council on social work education's cswe call to better integrate themes of social justice and diversity and social science knowledge into the theory and practice of social work the text prepares students for participatory approaches to engagement teaching learning action accompaniment evaluation critical reflection and celebration the seven core processes of the just practice framework linkages among practice research and policy are integrated throughout the text the book prepares social workers to engage in new forms of collaborative assessment planning intervention and institution building that 21st century practice demands a series of reflection and action exercises are included throughout the text they provide opportunity for creative thought and action bring class participants together in collaborative learning and contribute to the practitioner's tool kit for future social justice work well suited as a primary text for courses in multilevel social work practice at the graduate and advanced undergraduate levels

Social Work Practice with Groups 1997 specifically dedicated to the skills that social workers need to advance community practice this creative book is long overdue grounded in the wisdom and evidence of well honed interpersonal social work skills donna hardina's new text takes community practice to a higher level than ever before developed in book form indeed she displays the most thorough understanding of research on community practice that i have read in any community practice text journal of teaching in social work community organization has been a major component of social work practice since the late 19th century it requires a diverse set of abilities interpersonal skills being among the most important this textbook describes the essential interpersonal skills that social workers need in community practice and helps students cultivate them drawing from empirical literature on community social work practice and the author's own experience working with community organizers the book focuses on developing the macro level skills that are especially useful for community organizing it covers relationship building interviewing recruitment community assessment facilitating group decision making and task planning creating successful interventions working with organizations and program evaluation along with examples of specific applications for clarity and ease of use the author employs a framework drawn from a variety of community practice models including social action and social planning transformative popular education and community development approaches and multicultural and feminist approaches the text is linked to the competencies outlined in the council of social work education's 2008 educational policy and accreditation standards epas as well as ethics and values identified in the national association of social workers' nasw code of ethics and the international federation of social workers' statement of ethical principles most chapters begin with a quote from a community organizer explaining how interpersonal skills are used in practice and student exercises conclude each chapter the text also addresses other important skills such as legislative advocacy lobbying and supervision key features describes the essential skills social workers need in community practice and how to acquire them includes examples of specific applications

drawn from empirical literature and the author's experience working with community organizers grounded in social justice strengths based and human rights perspectives linked to competencies outlined in epas and values identified in the nasw code of ethics based on a variety of community practice models

Social Group Work, Principles and Practices 1972 buy this book make it required reading for every incoming social work student the best resource i ve ever found to help with the challenging task of radiating social justice theory into the heart of social work practice accessible real and encouraging doing anti oppressive practice shines the way forward for our entire profession

The Social Theory of Practices 2018-03-08 a lifespan approach presenting evidence informed interventions for working with individuals and families social work practice with individuals and families covers assessment of and intervention with children adolescents adults the elderly and families it offers an array of pedagogical features within each chapter as well as online resources and review questions at the conclusion of each chapter to help guide critical thinking about topics reflecting the current state of evidence informed social work practice each chapter s contributors emphasize the incorporation of wider forms of systematically collected data such as case studies best or promising practices and consumer focused data reading this book will not only give readers the tools to work effectively with individuals and families but also develop their skills in evidence informed practice comprehensive and insightful social work practice with individuals and families is a student and practitioner friendly text identifying the best assessment tools and strategies available for social workers to successfully serve individuals and families facing a broad range of challenges

Just Practice 2003-01-01 how important is the notion of community to skilled social work this book explores how the concept relates to policy theory and professional practice with analysis of contemporary social problems throughout a variety of community settings this book demonstrates how important community based approaches are to all social workers today

Interpersonal Social Work Skills for Community Practice 2012-07-23 the concept of practices whether of representation of political or scientific traditions or of organizational culture is central to social theory in this book stephen turner presents the first analysis and critique of the idea of practice as it has developed in the various theoretical traditions of the social sciences and the humanities understood broadly as a tacit understanding shared by a group the concept of a practice has a fatal difficulty turner argues there is no plausible mechanism by which a practice is transmitted or reproduced the historical uses of the concept from durkheim to kripke s version of wittgenstein provide examples of the contortions that thinkers have been forced into by this problem and show the ultimate implausibility of the idea turner s conclusion sketches a picture of what happens when we do without the notion of a shared practice and how this bears on social theory and philosophy it explains why social theory cannot get beyond the stage of constructing fuzzy analogies and why the standard constructions of the contemporary philosophical problem of relativism depend upon this defective notion this first book length critique of practice theory is sure to stir discussion and controversy in a wide range of fields from philosophy and science studies to sociology anthropology literary studies and political and legal theory

Doing Anti-oppressive Practice 2017 this classic text introduces students to the structural approach of social work practice which assumes that many clients problems arise from harmful social forces by focusing on the construction of such realities as poverty racism and domestic violence the structural approach counters the focus on individual change that is so common in our age of managed care and corporatization for this edition gale goldberg wood and carol t tully have recast the text from the perspective of contemporary social constructionism without altering its main message and organization they have added six new chapters covering ethics the role of the social worker as therapist and community organizer learning and working within the organization and the paradigm dilemma in addition case studies now include greater detail about the client s social context though much has changed since the first edition of this book was published the need for well trained compassionate social workers remains the structural approach to direct practice in social work continues to be an essential resource for practitioners who wish to help their clients confront oppressive social realities and affect system change through political action

Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families 2012-12-27 the strengths perspective

in social work practice presents an unrivaled collection of essays that explain the strengths based philosophy demonstrate how it works and provide clear and practical tools for its application it presents a balanced approach to social work practice in contrast to a problems based approach that takes into account the strengths and assets of clients and their environments highlights of the fourth edition six new chapters shifting our habits of mind learning to practice from a strengths perspective chapter 2 examines how social work practice was historically a more problem focused profession and the how the current shift towards strengths plays an important part in our work solving problems from a strengths perspective explores with relevant examples how a practitioner can take a perspective on problems that leads to strengths based and solution focused practices strengths based case management enhancing work with persons with substance abuse problems chapter 8 explores the further extensions of and developments in this important and ground breaking work the resilience of families chapter 11 examines those factors that promote family resilience and how they can be applied in practice consciousness and commitment slave narratives in today s movement to end poverty chapter 12 applies the lessons of the resistance movements of slaves in order to develop effective and strengths based strategies for ending poverty honoring philosophical traditions the strengths model and the social environment chapter 14 presents the strongest and clearest relationship between environmental resources and individual strengths in practicing from the strengths perspective extensive revisions of existing chapters make this a fresh more up to date book that retains the passion and sensibilities of the previous editions but with innovative examples and revised more current bibliographies don t miss this exciting value added option social work skills demonstrated beginning direct practice cd rom with student manual second edition linda k cummins barry university judith a sevel illinois state university laura pedrick university of wisconsin milwaukee a practical guide to development of crucial social work skills including basic counseling and interviewing techniques in a cd rom format with companion student manual that allows students to work at their own pace social work skills demonstrated beginning direct practice cd rom with student manual is available at a discount when packaged with this text 0 205 47316 4

Social Work and the Community 2008-07-15 the fifth edition of the practice of generalist social work expands its foundational and integrative coverage of social work values ethics competencies and behaviors as they relate and function within diverse practice settings through a strengths based perspective students are given a comprehensive overview of the major skills and considerations for practice with individuals families groups communities and organizations encompassing planned change engagement assessment intervention evaluation termination and follow up in response to the challenges and realities of professional practice chapters in this new edition open with a case which is integrated to provide connections between the book s content and real life practice settings each chapter builds on the knowledge gained from previous chapters and provides expanded resources that contain up to date guidance for the beginning practitioner these include consistent and in depth use of key theoretical perspectives and case examples to demonstrate essential knowledge values and skills for generalist social work practice grand challenges from the american academy of social work and social welfare which illustrate the connection between social work and the most significant contemporary challenges in our society a clear focus on generalist social work practice informed by the authors decades of real world practice experience at all levels of engagement and intervention this edition also offers revised and expanded student and instructor resources which are available at routledgesw.com including new conceptually based companion readings access to six unique and interactive case simulations quick guides for improved fieldwork and annotated weblinks for further reading listening and viewing combining comprehensive and current resources in traditional and online formats the new edition of the practice of generalist social work facilitates a dynamic experiential introduction to social work

Contemporary Social Work Practice 2019-08 in 1991 the economic and social research council esrc published postgraduate training guidelines throughout the document emphasis is placed on the need for universities to make postgraduate research students aware of the methodological issues that affect their work this text explores the relationship between knowledge methodology and research practice across the broad spectrum of the social sciences in language that is accessible to researchers at all levels of their research careers it follows the themes that there is no single practice or correct

methodology and that the diversity and variety in terms of methodology and disciplinary focus are a sign of the sophistication and complexity of the processes of social research the text examines socio cultural contexts of social research and relates them to contemporary shifts in focus such as feminism critical theory and postmodernism the importance of selecting the research methodology most appropriate to the subject discipline concerned is emphasized

The Social Theory of Practices 1994-05-16 in a digitally powered society social workers are challenged to embrace new interventions and enhance existing strategies in order to effectively promote social justice the cases in this volume present engaging examples of technology tools in use across micro mezzo and macro practice illuminating the knowledge skills and values required of those who practice social work 2 0 provided by publisher

The Structural Approach to Direct Practice in Social Work 2006-09-25 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

The Strengths Perspective in Social Work Practice 2006 health services practice or working with clients facing health issues requires diverse approaches and wide ranging knowledge in this ground breaking book melissa petrakis draws on the experience and expertise of leading researchers and practitioners to provide a guide to the disparate settings in which social workers are engaged and the conceptual frameworks and skills needed for effective practice the book begins by examining the nature of health social work and considers its core values and principles this section also provides an overview of the social determinants of health part 2 explores key areas of practice including working with children mothers and families hospital based social work domestic and family violence mental health dual diagnosis forensic social work indigenous approaches to health oncology and aged care part 3 looks at politicised issues in the field including working with people living with disability refugee health and concludes by considering how a focus on well being informed by maori approaches could provide new insights into better practice underpinning the book throughout is a clear guide to assessment procedures case management strengths based practices and developing effective partnerships and collaboration social work practice in health is destined to become a key reference tool for social work students and practitioners providing practical evidence based and insightful approaches

The Practice of Generalist Social Work 2020-04-08 generalist social work practice provides students with the foundational skills and knowledge needed to serve clients across micro mezzo and macro areas of practice author janice gasker brings a focus on self reflection as the first stage in the planned change process and writes with the perspective that we consider work at all levels of practice simultaneously rather than in isolation in accordance with the 2015 educational policy and accreditation standards epas set forth by the council of social work education cswe the planned change process

is presented as dynamic and interactive providing students with a clear understanding of how each stage of the planned change process can be utilized at any point when serving a client system the text spotlights the distinctive characteristics of the worker their values attitudes and experiences that may influence client interaction the text also includes case studies collaborative learning exercises and critical thinking questions to help students apply concepts to practice

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