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Domestic Violence

Intersectionality and Culturally Competent Practice

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Experts working with twelve unique groups of domestic abuse survivors provide the latest research on their populations and use a case study approach to demonstrate culturally sensitive intervention strategies. Chapters address African Americans, Native Americans, Latinas, Asian and Pacific Island communities, persons with disabilities, immigrants, refugees, women in later life, LGBT survivors, and military couples, as well as domestic violence in rural environments and among teens, and the role of religion.

This textbook opens with an overview of intersectionality, culturally competent practice, and domestic violence and basic practice strategies, such as universal screening, risk assessment, and safety planning. Subsequent chapters are written by collaborative teams of research and practice experts and cover the latest research on specific populations. Illustrative case studies demonstrate generalist social work practice, including how to develop respectful collaborative working relationships aimed at defining issues from the survivor's perspective; collecting and assessing data that focuses on the strengths of individuals, families, communities, and service delivery systems; goal setting and contracting; identifying culturally specific interventions; implementing culturally appropriate courses of action that intervene at appropriate system levels; participating in community level strategies; and advocating for improved policies and adequate funding at local, state, and federal levels. Chapters also include a list of resources for each population. Lettie L. Lockhart and Fran S. Danis are editors of the Council of Social Work Education's popular teaching modules on domestic violence and founding co-chairs of the CSWE symposium on violence against women and their children.

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