

Law For Social Workers 9e

Now fully updated and with up-to-the-minute guidance, this is the only book you will need to make sense of the key elements of law involved in social work with children and families in England and Wales. Accessible and jargon-free, this everyday reference explains the fundamental concepts of parental responsibility and human rights, and the provisions of private and public law, including care proceedings and adoption. This second edition incorporates recent changes including the Working Together to Safeguard Children guidance for inter-agency working, the Children and Families Act 2014 and the Crime and Courts Act 2013 as well as the latest case law. Checklists, charts and highlighted points allow for easy reference, and illustrative case scenarios put the law into context. This comprehensive and easy-to-use guide will be an invaluable resource for practising social workers, as well as trainees, students and those studying for post-qualifying awards.

Many social work students find the study of mental health legislation a complex and at times challenging process. Acts of law can seem irrelevant and far-removed from everyday practice and the person-centred approach that many social workers take. This book introduces students to the fundamental principles of mental health law and how they can be applied to everyday practice. There are clear introductions to key Acts such as the Mental Capacity Act and the Mental Health Act as well as the relevant Codes of Practice. These introductions, applied to social work case examples from practice, make this book a perfect key text for the social work law module. Students will see that mental health law doesn't exist in a vacuum and instead develops and evolves through constant interaction with the fundamental principles of sound social work practice.

An invaluable resource for all social workers in practice with children and families, this book examines key issues such as child protection, family support, care planning, adoption and case preparation for court. With illustrative case studies throughout, the text is divided into two sections: " Part 1 explores the legal context of social work practice with children, examining how international human rights standards are absorbed within domestic law. " Part 2 explores the application of the law, policies and systems to individual case work, illustrating rights-based thinking in practice. Accessible to those without a background in law, the book highlights links between social work standards and legal values and rules. With promotion of the rights of children and families a measure of professional competence and legal obligation, the book helps readers satisfy social work standards and use their knowledge of the law to improve their practice. The book is vital reading for all levels of social work student, including those undertaking the post-qualifying award in child care, as well as being an indispensable resource for practitioners working with children and families. Jane Williams is a lecturer in law at

the University of Swansea. She specialises in social work law, and children's rights. Other publications include *Children and Citizenship* (SAGE, 2007), co-edited with Antonella Invernizzi.

The Law and Social Work is up-to-date and contemporary. It analyses current debates around confidentiality, State intervention and the legal issues impacting on children, young people, families and vulnerable adults. It also offers an insightful discussion of central social work themes, integrating: ? Ethics and values ? Discrimination ? Assessment and intervention ? Accountability Charting the changes in law and practice over the past ten years, this new edition provides thematic accounts of key areas of development. It also reflects the pace of change in a number of spheres, including youth justice, mental health and discrimination law. Written by leading academics and social work practitioners widely published in their fields of expertise, this is an authoritative text for social work students, practitioners and professionals across the health and social care spectrum.

School Social Work: Practice, Policy, and Research has been a foundational guide to the profession for over 40 years. Featuring 30 readings divided into five parts, this best-selling text reflects the many ways that school social work practice impacts academic, behavioral, and social outcomes for both youths and the broader school community. The essays include selections from both pioneers in the field and newcomers who address the remarkable changes and growing complexities of the profession. The ninth edition of *School Social Work* features a stronger focus on evidence informed practice and adds substantial new content related to antiracist practice and trauma-informed care. It retains the holistic model of school social work practice that has informed all previous editions of this cornerstone text, making it a relevant and vital resource for today's practitioners and students as schools grapple with how to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic and its aftermath.

Written by an author team educated in both the law and social work, this book acquaints readers with major state and federal laws, regulations, and court opinions that directly affect social work practice. *LAW IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE*, 3rd Edition helps readers understand how to work within the legal system to benefit clients and further client interests, recognize certain client problems as legal, and work effectively with lawyers, as well as how the law shapes and restricts clients' actions. It also addresses how the law regulates social work practice, and how to recognize and respect the rights of clients and others affected by a practitioner's actions. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Part of the Brooks/Cole Empowerment Series, this ninth edition integrates the core competencies and practice behaviors outlined in the 2008 Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS) set by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). This classic text helps students recognize ethical issues and dilemmas, reason carefully about ethical issues,

clarify their ethical aspirations at the level demanded by the profession, and achieve a more ethical stance in their practice. It places ethical decision making within the context of professional ethics and provides useful guidelines, including two ethical screens to help social work practitioners identify priorities among competing ethical obligations. Developed specifically for social workers, it features numerous case-like exemplars based on real-world practice, drawn from a variety of social work settings. This comprehensive and uniquely focused text is equally effective as a core resource for social work ethics courses, or as a valuable supplement within introductory, practice, or practicum courses. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Law and ethics are two vital aspects of social work – all social workers need to practise according to the law and their codes of ethics and conduct. However, the relationship between the law and social work values and ethics is not without its tensions and this book takes a problem-based approach to explore the dilemmas and challenges that can arise. The first part of the book sets out frameworks for thinking about the law and ethics, and how they relate to social work. It also introduces some of the big philosophical and sociological questions about the purposes of law and of ethics and how they relate to society more generally. In the second part, the book explores a series of areas where profound dilemmas arise – such as end-of-life decisions, respecting peoples' choices but ensuring their safety and that of others, responsibility and blame, making allowance for different cultural traditions and breaking confidentiality. In each of the problem-based chapters, this accessible text: outlines the relevant law discusses court judgments in leading cases considers the implications of different ethical frameworks pulls out key ethical questions and challenges for social work. Social Work, Law and Ethics highlights what the law says and what it offers, what ethical principles are at stake, and what these imply for social work policy and practice. In this way, it uses real-life scenarios to analyse the dynamic interactions of social work, law and ethics. It is essential reading for all social work students.

Law for Social Workers has been supporting social work students and professionals for over 20 years. The ideal book to see you through both your course and career, the new edition features contributions from a practicing social worker and provides the perfect balance of accessible explanation and practical insight. The new edition continues to provide an accurate, jargon-free account of the law social workers need to know, with helpful diagrams and case studies included throughout to explain areas of difficulty and ensure understanding for students and professionals at all levels. The 13th edition also features 'The Social Worker's Toolkit', offering practical advice on topics such as going to court, preparing evidence, and writing reports, and provides the ideal support while on placement or in the workplace. The book is accompanied by a fully interactive Online Resource Centre featuring updates on recent cases and changes to legislation, guidance on answering exercises in the book, a glossary explaining essential legal terminology, and video podcasts. For lecturers, resources include suggested lecture discussion points and powerpoint slides, plus a test bank of over 200 multiple choice questions for class-testing. With its

comprehensive coverage and practical focus, Law for Social Workers will be an invaluable guide throughout your degree and as you enter the workplace, equipping you with the essential legal knowledge to give you the confidence to practice.

Since the third edition of Practising Social Work Law published in 2010, new legislation – such as the Care Act 2014, the Equality Act 2010, and the Children and Families Act 2014 – has had a significant impact on the social work profession. Practitioners must not only know the law; they must also have a critical appreciation of its implications for human rights, civil liberties and social justice. They must exercise their powers and duties in ways underpinned by professional ethics, in a context of severe resource constraint and under constant public and political scrutiny. Now going into its fourth edition, Practising Social Work Law seeks to build social workers' confidence in legal interpretation and implementation. It focuses on promoting practitioners' knowledge and skills in recognising, locating and articulating legal issues, and using the law to inform practice standards and deliver positive outcomes for service users. This timely, fully revised new edition of this well-respected text combines up-to-date statute, case law and guidance with extended practice examples and questions for reflection, making it an invaluable resource for students, practitioners and educators alike.

Tracing the origin of work with the 'impotent poor' under the Poor Laws, to social workers' current responsibilities towards vulnerable people, this book introduces the reader to the way in which the identification of particular social problems at the end of the nineteenth century led to the emergence of a wide range of separate occupational groups and voluntary workers, which were sometimes, but increasingly, referred to as social workers. Using an extended single chronological historical narrative and analysis, which draws heavily on original archival sources and contemporary literature, it addresses the changes which took place as part of the welfare state and the identification of common roles and responsibilities by social workers, which led to the formation of the British Association of Social Workers in 1970. By highlighting the changes and continuities in these roles and responsibilities, this book will be of interest to all academics, students, and practitioners working within social work, who wish to know more about the origins of their discipline and the current state of the profession today.

Examine cutting-edge research on the social worker's role in the legal system! Social Work and the Law: Proceedings of the National Organization of Forensic Social Work, 2000 addresses the issues and concerns facing social workers who deal with law and the legal system. This comprehensive research collection is essential for providing diagnosis, treatment, and recommendations on legal issues and litigation, both criminal and civil. The findings are invaluable for social workers called upon for consultation, education, and training insights when dealing with legal personnel. As the relatively new field of forensic social work grows, the issues related to its expansion become more complex. Social Work and the Law presents thoughtful commentary on those issues, taken from cutting-edge research findings on the links between animal, child, and domestic abuse; the psychology of stalkers (and their targets); empowering the drug courts; determining competency to stand trial; and much more! Vital for social work practitioners, the book is also an important resource for medical, legal, and criminal justice professionals, educators, and counselors. Social Work and the Law is a valuable guide for anyone dealing with: the assessment and treatment of criminal and juvenile justice populations the civil rights of the mentally ill and mentally impaired the social work aspects of marriage, divorce, and annulment the termination of parental rights and much more! More and more, social workers will need legal knowledge as they advocate for clients who have legal problems and/or are involved in the judicial system. Social Work and the Law provides essential information on dealing with issues confronted by the civil and criminal justice systems.

The English legal system in the area of social work with children and families can be bewildering and complex and it is vital therefore that any

textbook on the subject uses case law, case studies and research to critically-engage social workers and students alike. This book does just that - by examining, and putting into clear practical context, the current law and policy relating to social work with children and families. A guide for both students on placement as well as Newly Qualified Social Workers (NQSWs) entering their first roles within children and families teams, *Practical Child Law for Social Workers* is essential reading for a fast-paced and complex area of social work.

The fourth edition of this popular text has been expanded to accommodate social workers' continuing need for a thorough grounding in the statutory framework of local authority practice and the wider legal context of social work in the statutory and voluntary sectors. The separate chapter on social work law in Scotland addresses continuing developments in relation to devolved government and new legislation. Since 1996, the pace of change has been remorseless. Part IV of the Family Law Act has been implemented; youth justice in England and Wales has been substantially reformed; the Human Rights Act 1998 impacts on areas of social work practice; and social security law has been significantly amended. The Adoption and Children Act 2002 will both radically reform the law relating to the adoption of children and significantly amend the Children Act 1989. All these important changes, central to social work practice, are addressed in detail.

Whether protecting their own rights or those of their clients, or navigating the juvenile justice, immigration, or welfare systems, social workers confront legal issues every day. This book explores legal concepts, legal reasoning, and legal processes—illustrated with case vignettes from social work practice—in order to provide social work practitioners and students with practical and accessible legal knowledge. It introduces readers to scholarship about the law and to conceptual knowledge that can be applied to any interaction with the legal system. Social workers are thereby enabled to "think like a lawyer" and increase their effectiveness. The volume features a discussion of recent reform movements, including Alternative Dispute Resolution, and an appendix of sources for legal information and research on the law.

Effective social work practice relies on good understanding of the law along with the skills to use this knowledge well. This essential reader provides a wide-ranging thematic account of social work practice in Scotland, making critical links between concepts, the contexts of practice and first-hand experiences of Scottish social work law. Reflecting the pace of change in the law since the previous edition, the book combines fully updated chapters by some of the original authors, with newly commissioned pieces. Written by leading academics and practitioners in the field, it captures key developments in Scottish legislation and the implications for practitioners, covering important subjects such as: ? Service user and carer rights ? Legal and social work values ? Accountability ? Effective assessment ? Safeguarding, risk and protection ? Youth and adult criminal justice ? Partnership, participation and advocacy ? Delivery of personalised services. *Social Work and the Law in Scotland* is core reading for all those undertaking academic study or professional practice within the field. It is also a key resource for anyone looking to update their knowledge on the nature and development of the ever-evolving legislative landscape of Scotland.

Social work is perennially in the public eye, and interest in counselling has never been greater. But these activities are changing rapidly in response to new needs and resource limitations, and their complexity is not easy to grasp even by those involved. This book looks at how the specific context of social work shapes the nature of counselling in terms of both opportunities and constraints. How can social workers integrate the counselling dimension of the job with other roles expected of them? What training, supervision and support do they need? How do they collaborate with other professions? Above all, how do they effectively deal with people's private troubles, subjective feelings and disrupted

relationships (the traditional concern of counselling), whilst simultaneously fulfilling statutory requirements and involving themselves in the contentious politics of social provision? A disturbing situation is revealed, in which such role conflicts, coupled with media pressure and policy changes, are undermining the professional competence and confidence of social workers, thus depriving the most needy people of help. A fresh understanding of insights from counselling is seen as providing a partial answer to this serious state of affairs.

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 chapters 6-9 for instructors teaching the second semester of a three-semester generalist practice sequence, and is also available in e-book editions in a full range of digital formats.

"This is the first book to give social workers the tools to understand their clients' legal needs and rights and to address them collaboratively and effectively. Lyn Slater and Kara Finck ground their text in a comprehensive grasp of the legal system and the inequities of race, class, and gender that shape clients' experiences. Social Work Practice and the Law is a powerful call for social workers to be passionate and skillful advocates for their clients. Essential reading for social workers and lawyers alike who serve low-income people entangled in systems that so often fail them." Dorothy Roberts, JD Kirkland & Ellis Professor, Northwestern University School of Law Author, *Shattered Bonds: The Color of Child Welfare* Based on the author's innovative and nationally recognized prototype for inter-professional work at Fordham University, this is the only volume about social work and the legal system that is written from the social worker's perspective. Devoid of "legalese," the book is designed to help social workers develop the ability to reappraise, question, and challenge the law to best serve their clients. It aims to promote the development of a more strategic relationship with the legal system—a partnership that can achieve more creative and just solutions to social problems. Exhaustive in scope, *Social Work and the Law* identifies current national and international trends and legal movements that support and invite inter-professional, critically competent social work participation. The book also identifies and explains the essential knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes necessary for the attainment of collaborative critical competence when interacting with the legal system. Each chapter includes vivid case studies based on actual collaborations that illustrate the application of theory to practice. Chapters also include legal, social work, and evidence-based resources. Key Features:

Promotes a proactive approach to the ways in which social workers can use law to promote clients' best interests
Addresses all domains of social work practice-child welfare, housing law, educational access, disability law, benefits, and more
Offers abundant case studies taken from the authors' real-life work
Devoid of "legalese" and written from a social worker's perspective

This highly practical text surveys the myriad legal and ethical issues that social workers encounter both in daily practice and under special circumstances. Its initial section presents concepts in law and ethics that unite practitioners, researchers, and academics in the field, such as confidentiality, informed consent, and the interplay between social work and administrative and judicial systems. A selection of representative cases illustrates legal aspects involved in providing services to families, children, elders, and persons with disabilities. Also included are chapters on advocacy in social work, both in its potential to influence policy and on the global stage as part of the ongoing struggle for human rights and dignity. Among the topics covered: Confidentiality and the social worker-client relationship
Liability issues for social workers in the clinical context
Legal issues arising in the context of social work research
The social worker and forensic social work
Social worker involvement in access to school and school services
Social work in the context of health care
Legal issues working with immigrants, refugees, and asylees
The interface between social work and human rights
Legal Issues in Social Work Practice and Research is an interdisciplinary text aimed at social work, mental health, and legal professionals. It enhances the power of social work as an integrative system to support clients' rights and agency.

Practical Social Work Law: analysing court cases and inquiries presents legal issues associated with social work in an accessible format. It approaches the law in a way that is less daunting and more engaging by examining actual court cases and public inquiries, and explores the stories of real people and the legal and ethical dilemmas practitioners will face. The text adopts a problem-centred approach to learning by introducing the reader to key aspects of the law through a series of real-life situations; it addresses basic principles regarding the operation of the law and explores the lessons for good practice. Each chapter addresses a specific area of social work law including family breakdown, safeguarding children, youth justice, adults with disabilities, mental health and mental capacity. Landmark cases, cases drawn from the lower courts, tribunals, and ombudsman's decisions are included throughout presenting an accessible account of the application of the law. Practical Social Work Law is an essential text for undergraduate, postgraduate and recently qualified social workers who are wrestling with the complexity of the law and the professional dilemmas it poses for their practice. "This book is unusual for a law book in that it is not only a reference book but also a very readable volume...[It] is set out clearly and provides a sound basis for student social workers new to the law and a refresher for qualified practitioners." Catherine Poulter. RSW. Integrated Community Services. Carmarthenshire County Council

An essential book to help social work students gain this foothold in understanding law as it applies to social work practice.

Law for Social Workers has been supporting social work students and professionals for over 25 years. Written by an expert team with practical experience, this book provides the perfect combination of legal explanation and practical insight and is the ideal text to see students through their course and career. This edition continues to provide an accurate, jargon-free account of the law social workers need to know, with helpful diagrams and case studies included throughout to explain areas of difficulty and ensure understanding for students and professionals at all levels. The 15th edition includes an expanded Social Worker's Toolkit, offering practical advice on topics such as going to court, preparing evidence, and writing reports, providing the ideal support while on placement or in the workplace. Online resources The book is accompanied by the following online resources: For students -Video tutorials on a range of practical topics

- Multiple choice questions for students to test their knowledge
- Guidance on answering the exercises from the book
- Further reading suggestions
- Glossary of legal jargon

For lecturers -PowerPoint slide lecture outlines for each chapter
-Notes to accompany the slides with discussion of key issues to consider when teaching this area of law

This book addresses this relationship between the professions of social work and law and helps social workers develop the knowledge necessary to practice in a legal environment. The author focuses on how the law affects the day-to-day practice of social work; the creation, administration, and operation of social service agencies; and the ways in which social workers and attorneys collaborate to serve the public.

Examining the legal structure of the mental health system, this book explains the legal principles. It places them in the context of their practical application, the realities of patient life, and the complexities of organising care. This edition gives an analysis of the Mental Capacity Act, 2005 and the Draft Mental Health Bill.

International Social Work Practice compares and contrasts divergent social work approaches in countries around the world, providing students with a unique perspective on social work as it is actually practised. Using case studies from frontline practitioners from across the globe, this innovative new textbook stimulates critical thinking about international social work practice issues. Providing a review of both country-specific social work practices and universal social work issues, the text looks at a variety of core social work topics, framed here in terms of CSWE competencies. Set within a theoretical framework presented in the introductory chapter, the subjects covered include: child welfare intimate partner violence family conflict and communication elder care substance abuse trauma. Each chapter presents several case studies exploring range of issues within the broader topic and each case study is commented on by two narratives from social work academics and practitioners from different countries, providing different cultural perspectives. Taking a

practical hands-on approach, this text includes a dedicated section for classroom use, with discussion questions, classroom exercises and additional cases for your own analysis. It will be particularly useful to BSW and MSW students taking courses in international social work, practice, social welfare and human behaviour.

A core function of social work is to assist, empower, and protect the most vulnerable in society. Social workers make difficult decisions in complex and challenging situations every day. They work in organizations that have clear statutory duties. Therefore, it is essential that social work students know what their responsibilities are. Familiarity with law, legislation, and legal processes is consequently fundamental to sound social work practice. This best-selling book helps social work students gain this foothold in understanding law as it applies to social work practice. It avoids complicated legal jargon remote from the everyday realities of practice, offering instead a grounding in legally-appropriate, rights-based social work. It covers the full range of social work law, including services for children and families and child protection, adult care law, youth justice, court work, professional regulation, and human rights.

Click on the Supplements tab above for further details on the different versions of SPSS programs. The canonical Handbook is completely updated with more student-friendly features The Handbook of Social Work Research Methods is a cutting-edge volume that covers all the major topics that are relevant for Social Work Research methods. Edited by Bruce Thyer and containing contributions by leading authorities, this Handbook covers both qualitative and quantitative approaches as well as a section that delves into more general issues such as evidence based practice, ethics, gender, ethnicity, International Issues, integrating both approaches, and applying for grants. New to this Edition More content on qualitative methods and mixed methods More coverage of evidence-based practice More support to help students effectively use the Internet A companion Web site at www.sagepub.com/thyerhdbk2e containing a test bank and PowerPoint slides for instructors and relevant SAGE journal articles for students. This Handbook serves as a primary text in the methods courses in MSW programs and doctoral level programs. It can also be used as a reference and research design tool for anyone doing scholarly research in social work or human services.

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This completely rewritten and updated new edition of a practical text continues to provide a firm introduction to law and legal processes and their relation to social work practice. Using Clinton's welfare reform act of 1996, Albert provides a conceptual framework to illustrate how socio-legal problems emerge in the welfare state, and presents the skills base necessary for effective social work response. A new section on socio-legal issues highlights many fields where social worker-lawyer partnerships can occur, such as civil rights and advocacy, the death penalty, liability for neglect in nursing homes, informed consent and medical treatment, and much more. Filled with techniques for reading and understanding

judicial opinion, legislative statues, and bills, this new edition will appeal to all professors of law and social work courses, as well as courses on the welfare state.

Social work with vulnerable adults is becoming increasingly centred on a key piece of legislation: the Mental Capacity Act. The Act provides a framework for protecting the vulnerable while allowing those who may lack capacity to have certain safeguards enshrined in law. This book will help support students to learn two things: first, how the Mental Capacity Act operates and what its key principles are when applied to safeguarding adults; and second, what are the compassionate skills and values that need to be interwoven with legislative knowledge? The authors show how these two principles interact and inform one another and how taking a person-centred approach to safeguarding vulnerable adults will mean better outcomes for the individual and our wider society.

Rubin and Babbie's ESSENTIAL RESEARCH METHODS FOR SOCIAL WORK provides students with a concise introduction to research methods that offers illustrations and applications specific to the field, as well as a constant focus on the utility of social work research in social work practice. Outlines, introductions, boxed features, chapter endings with main points, review questions and exercises, and Internet exercises provide students with the information and practice they need to succeed in the course. Part of the Cengage Empowerment Series, the fourth edition is up to date and thoroughly integrates the core competencies and recommended practice behaviors outlined in the current Educational Policy and Accreditation Standards (EPAS) set by the Council on Social Work Education (CSWE). Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version. This new edition gives a clear and up-to-date picture of how the Children Act 1989 is working. All chapters have been updated with the latest case law, legislation and guidance.

A comprehensive introduction to ethical decision making with practical guidance regarding professional misconduct.

How do social workers in the UK legal context act ethically? What do we understand by ethics and how does social work law relate to it? Social work practice in all countries incorporates a clear, unstinting commitment to social justice, but what is social justice? Using an applied, practice-based and refreshingly 'real' approach, this text bridges the gap between law and ethics. Each chapter opens with a case study which considers ethical dilemmas in real life practice. Chapters have been designed to help students strengthen their critical reflection skills, encouraging consideration of the legal and ethical dimensions of social work generally and in personal practice. Topics such as care proceedings, adoption, community care, youth justice, mental capacity and accountability explore how understanding and application are equally important.

"This scholarly and engaging volume shows us where social work has come from, and so helps us understand and shape its future. The author has a gift for making the profession's complex history accessible, whilst respecting its intricacy. The result is an illuminating 'tour de force' – a book that gives perspective and hope." Suzy Braye, Professor of Social Work, University of Sussex,

UK "Pierson's richly documented overview of social work's evolution in Britain promises to support coming generations of social workers in learning from their field's responses to changing issues and ideas on assistance for those in need." J. Lee Kreader, Interim Director, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University, USA This introductory textbook provides a concise account of the development of social work in Britain, from its beginnings in the industrial revolution to the present day. The book seeks to recover overlooked experiences and important but forgotten debates, whilst re-examining the concepts and approaches developed by chief architects of the profession. The book has several unique features designed to help students both understand the development of social work and to form their own judgements on the issues it raises: Timelines that mark important practice and policy developments Discussion points that pose questions for readers to think through First hand testimony and excerpts from case records showing the viewpoints, perspectives and decisions of social workers in earlier decades Documentary material that encourages students to critically reflect on the present in light of the past Understanding Social Work is written with the student and educator in mind, in a style and format that makes the history of social work approachable, relevant, and profound. The view of history embodied here is of a continuously unfolding, many-sided phenomenon that offers a rich source of ethical insight, practical experience and moral guidance.

"Provides social workers with key legal and policy issues specific to the state of Texas, including statutes (up through the 83rd Texas Legislative Session), case law, Attorney General Opinions and Open Records Opinions, the Social Work Practice Act, and the National Association of Social Workers Code of Ethics. Fourth edition"--

This book describes the mental health treatment being provided by over 200,000 licensed clinical social workers in the United States and a summary of the fifty-one licensure laws and regulations which govern licensed clinical social work practice. The author seeks to standardize clinical social work licensure laws and regulations.

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