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The "human right to healthcare" has had a remarkable rise. It is found in numerous international treaties and national constitutions, it is litigated in courtrooms across the globe, it is increasingly the subject of study by scholars across a range of disciplines, and-perhaps most importantly-it serves as an inspiring rallying cry for health justice activists throughout the world. However, though increasingly accepted as a principle, the historical roots of this right remain largely unexplored. To Heal Humankind: The Right to Health in History fills that gap, combining a sweeping historical scope and interdisciplinary synthesis. Beginning with the Age of Antiquity and extending to the Age of Trump, it analyzes how healthcare has been conceived and provided as both a right and a commodity over time and space, examining the key historical and political junctures when the right to healthcare was widened or diminished in nations around the globe. To Heal Humankind will prove indispensable for all those interested in human rights, the history of public health, and the future of healthcare.

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Sociology is a key topic for all trainee health professionals, but many struggle to see what sociology has to offer. Based on years of experience teaching sociology to healthcare students, Lani Russell has written a truly introductory text

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which explains the main sociological concepts without jargon or becoming too advanced. Using carefully chosen examples, she shows how health issues are influenced by social phenomena such as class, race or sexuality and the relevance this has for practitioners. The book includes: -The main sociological concepts relevant to healthcare students -Examples linking sociological concepts and major health topics -Exercises to test students' understanding -Glossaries of key terms and key theorists -Advice on further reading -A full companion website with teaching materials for lecturers and learning resources for students This is the ideal text to recommend to students who need an accessible introduction to the sociology of health and illness.

The Handbook of the Sociology of Health, Illness & Healing advances the understanding of medical sociology by identifying the most important contemporary challenges to the field and suggesting directions for future inquiry. The editors provide a blueprint for guiding research and teaching agendas for the first quarter of the 21st century. In a series of essays, this volume offers a systematic view of the critical questions that face our understanding of the role of social forces in health, illness and healing. It also provides an overall theoretical framework and asks medical sociologists to consider the implications of taking on new directions and approaches. Such issues may include the importance of multiple levels of influences, the utility of dynamic, life course approaches, the role of culture, the impact of social networks, the importance of fundamental causes approaches, and the influences of state structures and policy making.

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and alternative and complementary health care. 'Health and the Internet' sections are updated and renovated to create more interactive student assignments. New end-of-chapter lists of terms, with key terms as flash cards on the companion website. An updated instructor's guide, with test bank.

This book focuses on health, healing and health care in Nepal. It presents an intriguing picture: the interplay between the natural processes that cause ill health or diseases and the socio-cultural processes through which people try to understand and cope with them. The work places medical tradition, health politics, gender and health, and pharmaceutical business within the wider politico-economic milieu of Nepal. It also describes the establishment of medical anthropology as an academic discipline, and its relevance for understanding the country's specific health problems, health care traditions, and health policies. Combining scientific research with practical experiences, the book will serve as a unique resource, especially for health workers, policymakers, and teachers and students in medical schools, those in public health, social medicine, health care, governance and political studies, sociology and social anthropology, and Nepal and South Asian studies.

This book provides a contemporary and comprehensive examination of cancer in everyday life, drawing on qualitative research with people living with cancer, their family members and health professionals. It explores the evolving and enduring affects of cancer for individuals, families and communities, with attention to the changing dynamics of survivorship, including social relations around waiting, uncertainty, hope, wilfulness, obligation, responsibility and healing. Challenging simplistic deployments of survivorship and drawing on contemporary and classical social theory, it critically

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examines survivorship through innovative qualitative methodologies including interviews, focus groups, participant produced photos and solicited diaries. In assembling this panoramic view of cancer in the twenty-first century, it also enlivens core debates in sociology, including questions around individual agency, subjectivity, temporality, normativity, resistance, affect and embodiment. A thoughtful account of cancer embedded in the undulations of the everyday, narrated by its subjects and those who informally and formally care for them, *Survivorship: A Sociology of Cancer in Everyday Life* outlines new ways of thinking about survivorship for sociologists, health and medical researchers and those working in cancer care settings. This lively, introductory text provides students and health practitioners with the foundations of a sociological understanding of health issues. Written for anyone who is interested in health and disease in contemporary global society, this book engages the reader to act upon their occupational and moral responsibilities. It explains the key sociological theories and debates with humour and imagination in a way that will encourage an inquisitive and reflective approach on the part of any student who engages with the text. With individual chapters covering sociology, health, science, power, medicalisation, madness happiness, sex, violence and death, *Sociology and Health* is organized so that the student moves through sociological approaches and themes which constantly recur in the experience of healthcare. Students will find this a readable and controversial text which covers the ground they need to

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know in a thought-provoking way. Lecturers will find it a helpful text for generating discussion in tutorials and seminars. There are summaries at the end of each chapter, suggestions for further reading and ideas for the reader.

For upper-division undergraduate/beginning graduate-level courses in Medical Sociology, and for Behavioral Science courses in schools of Public Health, Medicine, Pharmacy, and Nursing. A comprehensive overview of the most current issues in medical sociology. The standard text in the field, Medical Sociology presents the discipline's most recent and relevant ideas, concepts, themes, issues, debates, and research findings. To draw students into the course, author Dr. William Cockerham integrates engaging first-person accounts from patients, physicians, and other health care providers throughout the text. The Thirteenth Edition addresses the current changes stemming from health care reform in the United States, and other issues that reflect the focus of the field today.

Understanding the Sociology of Health continues to offer an easy to read introduction to sociological theories essential to understanding the current health climate. Up-to-date with key policy and research, and including case studies and exercises to critically engage the reader, this book shows how sociology can answer complex questions about health and illness, such as why health inequalities exist. To better help with your studies this book contains:

- a global perspective with international examples;
- a new chapter on health technologies;
- online access to videos of the author discussing key

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topics as well as recommended further readings; - a glossary, chapter summaries and reflective questions to help you engage with the subject. Though aimed primarily at students on health and social care courses and professions allied to medicine, this textbook provides valuable insights for anyone interested in the social aspects of health.

The Oxford Handbook of Medical Ethnomusicology defines a new field of holistic research and applied practice that approaches music, health, and healing across traditional cultures worldwide and the disciplinary boundaries of ethnomusicology, music therapy, the health sciences, and alternative medicine.

A Social History of Medicine traces the development of medical practice from the Industrial Revolution right through to the twentieth century. Drawing on a wide range of source material, it charts the changing relationship between patients and practitioners over this period, exploring the impact made by institutional care, government intervention and scientific discovery. The study illuminates the extent to which medical assistance really was available to patients over the period, by focusing on provincial areas and using local sources. It introduces a variety of contemporary medical practitioners, some of them hitherto unknown and with fascinating intricate details of their work. The text offers an extensive thematic survey, including coverage of: * institutions such as hospitals, dispensaries, asylums and prisons * midwifery and nursing * infections and how changes in science have affected disease control * contraception, war, and the NHS.

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'This is a fascinating and beautiful organized and written manuscript'-Rebecca Lester, Washington University in St. Louis Folk, alternative and complementary health care practices in contemporary Western society are currently experiencing a renaissance, albeit with features that are unique to this historical moment. At the same time, biomedicine is under scrutiny, experiencing a number of distinct and multifaceted crises. In this volume the authors draw together cutting edge cross-cultural, interdisciplinary research in Britain and Ireland, focusing on exploring the role and significance of healing practices ù such as the use of crystals, herbs, cures and charms, potions and lotions ù in diverse local contexts.

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"...It is well-written and well-referenced...this is an important, innovative, enjoyable textbook which can be highly recommended for use in undergraduate and postgraduate sociology courses on health related subjects, and which will be of value in courses on women's studies and gender. It will also be of interest to inquiring health care practitioners of whatever persuasion." - Sociology "This book takes a bold

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step in pointing new directions for sociological and social-historical studies of health and health care." - Social History of Medicine Throughout the book, the division of labour in health care, especially as it relates to social class and gender divisions, is taken as central. Its particular characteristic, and one that distinguishes it from other texts in this field, is that feminist critiques of health care are considered alongside the mainstream writing in the social history of medicine, and in medical sociology. Part I takes an historical approach to the types of healing knowledge, the modes of treatment, and the organization of health care found in Europe over the last four hundred years. Part II is a sociological analysis of contemporary health care covering concepts of health and illness, the organization of the National Health Service, the division of labour, the impact of international capitalism, and the issues at stake in arguments about human reproduction. Scholars in folklore and anthropology are more directly involved in various aspects of medicine—such as medical education, clinical pastoral care, and negotiation of transcultural issues—than ever before. Old models of investigation that artificially isolated "folk medicine," "complementary and alternative medicine," and "biomedicine" as mutually exclusive have proven too limited in exploring the real-life complexities of health belief systems as they observably exist and are applied by contemporary Americans. Recent research strongly suggests that individuals construct their health belief systems from diverse sources of authority, including community and ethnic tradition, education, spiritual beliefs, personal experience, the influence of popular media, and perception of the goals and means of formal medicine. Healing Logics explores the diversity of these belief systems and how they interact—in competing, conflicting, and sometimes remarkably congruent ways. This book contains essays by leading scholars in the field and a comprehensive

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bibliography of folklore and medicine.

Do doctors fix patients? Or do they heal them? For all of modern medicine's many successes, discontent with the quality of patient care has combined with a host of new developments, from aging populations to the resurgence of infectious diseases, which challenge medicine's overreliance on narrowly mechanistic and technical methods of explanation and intervention, or "fixing" patients. The need for a better balance, for more humane "healing" rationales and practices that attend to the social and environmental aspects of health and illness and the experiencing person, is more urgent than ever. Yet, in public health and bioethics, the fields best positioned to offer countervailing values and orientations, the dominant approaches largely extend and reinforce the reductionism and individualism of biomedicine. The collected essays in *To Fix or To Heal* do more than document the persistence of reductionist approaches and the attendant extension of medicalization to more and more aspects of our lives. The contributors also shed valuable light on why reductionism has persisted and why more holistic models, incorporating social and environmental factors, have gained so little traction. The contributors examine the moral appeal of reductionism, the larger rationalist dream of technological mastery, the growing valuation of health, and the enshrining of individual responsibility as the seemingly non-coercive means of intervention and control. This paradigm-challenging volume advances new lines of criticism of our dominant medical regime, even while proposing ways of bringing medical practice, bioethics, and public health more closely into line with their original goals. Precisely because of the centrality of the biomedical approach to our society, the contributors argue, challenging the reductionist model and its ever-widening effects is perhaps the best way to press for a much-needed renewal of our ethical and political discourse.

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The legacy of the Black Panther Party's commitment to community health care, a central aspect of its fight for social justice

Sociological Theories of Health and Illness reviews the evolution of theory in medical sociology beginning with the field's origins in medicine and extending to its present-day standing as a major sociological subdiscipline. Sociological theory has an especially important role in the practice of medical sociology because its theories distinguish the subdiscipline from virtually all other scientific fields engaged in the study of health and illness. The focus is on contemporary theory because it applies to contemporary conditions; however, since theory in sociology is often grounded in historical precedents and classical foundations, this material is likewise included as it relates to medical sociology today. This book focuses on the most commonly used sociological theories in the study of health and illness, illustrating their utility in current examples of empirical research on a wide range of topics. The qualitative or quantitative research methods applicable to specific theories are also covered. Distinctions between macro and micro-level levels of analysis and the relevance of the agency-structure dichotomy inherent in all theories in sociology are discussed. Beginning with classical theory (Durkheim, Weber, and Marx) and the neglected founders (Gilman, Martineau, and DuBois), along with symbolic interaction (Mead, Strauss) and labeling theory (Becker), and poststructuralism and postmodernism (Foucault), coverage is extended to contemporary medical sociology. Discussion of the stress process model (Pearlin) is followed by the social construction of gender and race and intersectionality theory (Collins), health lifestyle theory (Cockerham), life course theory (Elder), fundamental cause theory (Link and Phelan), and theories of the medical profession (Freidson), medicalization and biomedicalization

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(Conrad, Clarke), and social capital (Bourdieu, Putnam, and Lin).

The dominance of "illness narratives" in narrative healing studies has tended to mean that the focus centers around the healing of the individual. Meza proposes that this emphasis is misplaced and the true focus of cultural healing should lie in managing the disruption of disease and death (cultural or biological) to the individual's relationship with society. By explicating narrative theory through the lens of cognitive anthropology, Meza reframes the epistemology of narrative and healing, moving it from relativism to a philosophical perspective of pragmatic realism. Using a novel combination of narrative theory and cognitive anthropology to represent the ethnographic data, Meza's ethnography is a valuable contribution in a field where ethnographic records related to medical clinical encounters are scarce. The book will be of interest to scholars of medical anthropology and those interested in narrative history and narrative medicine.

Gender, Health and Healing brings together leading names in the sociology of health, this volume provides a critical review of contemporary debates in health care for a broad based interdisciplinary readership.

It is now accepted that many of the determinants of health and health care are social. This volume offers a philosophical and theoretical frame within which the nature and extent of this might be optimally examined. The analysis is rooted in Roy Bhaskar's basic and dialectical critical realism, although it draws also on the critical theory of Jurgen Habermas. It purports to provide

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an ontologically and epistemologically grounded comparative sociology of contemporary health and health care in the twenty-first century. Carrying a fourfold agenda, the volume sets out a dialectical critical realist frame for a comparative sociology of health and health care; it clarifies sociology's potential and limitations; it suggests a research programme and a series of questions for investigation; and it offers an argument for an action sociology embedded in a dialectical theory of transformative action. This volume will be of interest to students and scholars in the areas of philosophy, sociology and critical realism, as well as those working in health and social care.

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who were actively involved. Set in historical context by brief introductions, the documents are arranged in chronological order, grouped into six major periods of the Cold War. Covers The Origins of the Cold War; The Nuclear Arms Race; The U-2 Affair; The Berlin Wall; The Cuban Missile Crisis; The Korean and Vietnam Wars; The Sino-Soviet Split; The End of the Cold War. Draws selections from a variety of countries and leaders on both sides of the Iron Curtain and treats the entire Cold War as an era in world history, not just U.S. history. Precedes each document and event with a concise but thorough introduction that explains its background and significance, places it in its proper historical context, and conveys the flavor and fervor of the developments that surrounded it. For anyone interested in the history of the Cold War.

"This book demonstrates that disease is socially produced and distributed, arguing that becoming sick and unhealthy is not merely the result of individual misfortune or an accident of nature, it is a consequence of the social, political and economic organization of society."--Back cover.

Postmodernism and poststructuralism challenge fundamental positions in social theory. This book sets out some of the components of a postmodern social theory of health and healing, deriving from theorists including Derrida, Deleuze and Guattari, Foucault, Cixous and Kristeva. Nicholas J. Fox observes that the knowledge of the medical profession about the body, illness and health supplies the basis for medical dominance. The body of the patient is inscribed by

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discourses of professional 'care,' an interaction which subjectifies the patient. Fox explores the character of this power - and how it may be, and is, resisted. The book illustrates with detailed examples how the organization of health care and the caring relationship itself are sites for this contestation of power. Elements of feminist theory, and Derridean concepts of diffrance and intertextuality, supply the framework for the politics and ethics of the postmodern position on health. Deleuze and Guattari's radical challenge to psychoanalysis and familial repetitions within the healer/patient contact allows a re-reading of central ideas in medical sociology. While focusing upon the possibilities of postmodern social theory, the book demands a reappraisal of issues of structure, identity and knowledge in modernist medical sociology. Modernist sociology, Fox suggests, has been complicit in the creation of 'the patient,' and of 'health' and 'illness.' Written with an emphasis on accessibility, this book explores the practical consequences of postmodern theory as well as familiarizing the reader with the concepts of postmodernism.

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Health and medicine have interested demographers and public health experts more than social scientists in India. Foundational questions on the meaning and experience of health and the role of medicine, are glossed over as health and medicine are taken for granted and not opened up as objects for enquiry.

How do we distinguish between health and ill-health, given that the experience of disease and its detection is deeply embedded in social settings?

How do we distinguish something purely as a health problem from a problem of life or misfortune? Does the medical establishment define the rapidly increasing life-style problems as 'diseases' and medicate them? Social sciences try to answer such 'health experience' related questions by probing several situations and experiences to draw insights in a comparative perspective. On the role of medicine, people from different walks of life, the patient, the physician, the healthcare administrator,

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and pharmacologist, to name a few, use different standards to assess effectiveness of therapy. How do we understand the efficacy and effectiveness of cure when there are several competing standpoints? What is the impact of privatisation and corporatisation of medicine on health? Drawing upon published social science research in the field, this book discusses many of these foundational questions. International scholarship on the sociology of health and medicine defines itself only in relation to allopathy/biomedicine and is yet to grapple with the theoretical implications of other contemporary theories of body and disease suggested by the continuity of Asian or African systems of medicine. This book introduces medical pluralism into the heart of social theory of health and medicine. A first of its kind, the book is aimed at showing the link between general questions on the one hand, and, the specific issues pertaining to health status, medical care, pharmaceutical industry and traditional medicine in India, on the other.

This book is a study of disciplines and their specialities. It poses sociological questions about the formation of intellectual fields and their social relations, and offers an in-depth, historical study of one of the largest specialities of the discipline of sociology - the sociology of health and medicine - across three countries: the United States of America, Britain and Australia. Employing a radical new theory

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of disciplines, this book reveals unexpected connections between the ideas of sociologists and the context they work within. It answers questions about where they work, who they cite and collaborate with, and highlights distinct differences in the practice of sociology from one country to the next. In doing so, this book offers evidence of the effects of sweeping changes to the university sector and the global publishing industry on the working lives of sociologists, not least the impact of commercial research sponsorship on the knowledge they produce.

This title integrates the conceptual, empirical and evidence-based threads of mental health as an area of study, research and practice. It approaches mental health from two perspectives - firstly as a positive state of well-being and secondly as psychological difference or abnormality in its social context.

Essay in the subject Sociology - Medical Care, , language: English, abstract: According to WHO health is the complete state of physical, mental and social well-being, and not merely absence of disease or infirmity. (WHO 2010). When an individual is claimed to be healthy, it is considered the entire being is in a state of wellness and not merely absence of pathogens acting against one's physical being. Cure and healing, although they may be interchanged have different meanings if taken in

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their rightful context. This misconception extend also to disease, sickness and illness. When individuals experience disease, there is always a tendency to think in obsolete terms of being curable and incurable. When we talk of curing we talk of the restoration of health by eliminating the symptoms that characterise a disease. Healing on the other hand calls for the restoration of wholeness. Healing is an integrative process that go beyond the physical but also include mental, emotional and spiritual vitality and wellness. Whilst cure could be instant, healing usually takes time. Also one can be cured but without healing and the reverse is also true.

A wide-ranging collection of both classic writings and more recent articles in the sociology of health and illness, this reader is organized into the following sections: * health beliefs and knowledge * inequalities and patterning of health and illness * professional and patient interaction * chronic illness and disability * evaluation and politics in health care. With a thorough introduction which sets the scene for the field as a whole, and section introductions which contextualize each chapter, the reader includes a number of different perspectives on health and illness, is international in scope, and will provide an invaluable resource to students across a wide range of courses in sociology and the social sciences.

A New York Times Bestseller, with an updated

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explanation of the 2010 Health Reform Bill

"Important and powerful . . . a rich tour of health care around the world." —Nicholas Kristof, *The New York Times*
Bringing to bear his talent for explaining complex issues in a clear, engaging way, *New York Times* bestselling author T. R. Reid visits industrialized democracies around the world--France, Britain, Germany, Japan, and beyond--to provide a revelatory tour of successful, affordable universal health care systems. Now updated with new statistics and a plain-English explanation of the 2010 health care reform bill, *The Healing of America* is required reading for all those hoping to understand the state of health care in our country, and around the world. T. R. Reid's latest book, *A Fine Mess: A Global Quest for a Simpler, Fairer, and More Efficient Tax System*, is also available from Penguin Press.

A comprehensive presentation of the major topics in medical sociology. *The Sociology of Health, Healing, and Illness*, 8/e by Gregory L. Weiss and Lynne E. Lonquist provides an in-depth overview of the field of medical sociology. The authors provide solid coverage of traditional topics while providing significant coverage of current issues related to health, healing, and illness. Readers will emerge with an understanding of the health care system in the United States as well as the changes that are taking place with the implementation of The

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Affordable Care Act.

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