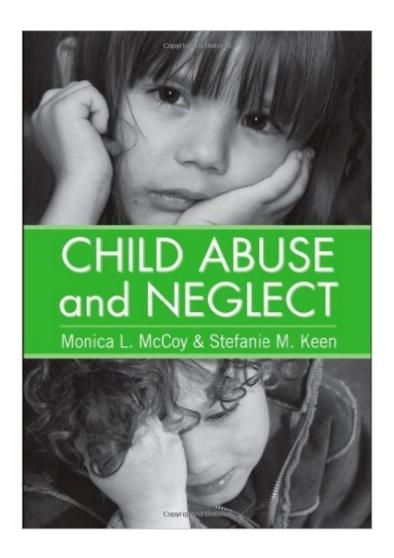
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Child Abuse And Neglect





Synopsis

Child abuse and neglect are examined in this new book - the latest research, what it entails, and how to recognize and report it. Federal law mandates the reporting of suspected child maltreatment by many professionals. This book will appeal to those who one day find themselves in the role of a mandated reporter. Engaging learning tools are sprinkled throughout: Focus on Research boxes provide an in-depth look at research or methodologies. Case Examples encourage debate about the gray areas in the field. Legal Examples and Focus on Law sections explain judicial rulings including guides for locating relevant state statutes. Discussion questions promote dialogue and deepen understanding of the material. Bold faced key terms defined when first introduced also appear in the book's glossary. The book opens with the background on child maltreatment including its history, an overview of the research, and the risk factors. Details about mandated reporting are also explored. Different forms of maltreatment - physical abuse, neglect, psychological maltreatment, sexual abuse, fetal abuse, and Munchausen by Proxy Syndrome - are then examined. Incidence estimates and consequences for each type of maltreatment are provided. Legal issues including forensic interviewing are then reviewed. The book concludes with an example of what happens to a child after a report is filed along with suggestions for preventing child maltreatment. Intended as a text for courses in Child Abuse and Neglect taught in departments of psychology, human development, education, social work, and medicine, this book will also be an invaluable resource to workers who are mandated reporters of child maltreatment and/or anyone interested in the problem.

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Overall, the content of this textbook is wonderful. It is readable, informative, and was a great choice for the course that I was taking. If I were to rate the quality of this text alone, I would award it five stars. However, in an attempt to save money, I made the terrible mistake of purchasing the Kindle version, which is what merits the one-star rating. The formatting for this Kindle version is absolutely awful, and it seemed as though the book was simply scanned with no proofreading or editing whatsoever. Sections such as the "Focus on Research" and case examples, which are meant to be provided as separate boxes in the paper text, are placed such that they cut off sentences of the actual chapter, making the reading much more difficult to follow. Additionally, there is no spacing between paragraphs or sections, so if one tries to skip the supplementary information to first finish the current sentence, very thorough searching is required to find where to continue. The text's chapters are also much more difficult to navigate due to their lack of being defined for the chapter skip button to recognize. One can be linked to chapters from the table of contents, but this is a hassle compared to the click-of-a-button ease provided by other Kindle titles I've purchased. The text itself also very plain and does not provide distinctions that the paper version was capable of. While I take no issue with the Kindle being restricted to black text only, it was very frustrating to receive class reading cues such as "the section in orange" and be met by not only a monochromatic page, but a wall of text that did not even distinguish between paragraphs. At the very least, some spacing or indentation would have been a helpful substitute for the absent color-coding.

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