This comprehensive overview of dementia care is supported by research-based evidence. Each chapter is well-structured and has a scenario, summary and reflection points. The scenarios demonstrate how each individual’s experience of dementia, and the care they require and receive, is unique and changes as the disease progresses.

One chapter provides insight into risk assessments and how they offer opportunities to empower individuals and carers.

The book is primarily for nursing students, but would also be useful to people with dementia and their families and carers, many of whom contributed to its content.

It would be a useful reference for anyone working in the field of dementia care.


Reviewed by Nichola Barlow, senior lecturer, School of Human and Health Sciences, University of Huddersfield

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The public health remit is undergoing major transformation in the UK, and specialist community public health nurses are at the forefront of this change. Much of their work includes child protection, which is the subject of this book.

Chapters are written by experts with unique insights into nursing roles and crucial interventions. The editors have included a wider remit of public health so that it encompasses work in hospitals and the community.

The authors recognise the challenges to this approach, including the effects of austerity.

Overall, this is an engaging and informative text that would be a valuable purchase for many practitioners, particularly those undertaking specialist community public health nursing courses, many of whom may have significant child protection roles in practice.


Reviewed by John Thain, senior lecturer in children's nursing, University of Wolverhampton

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