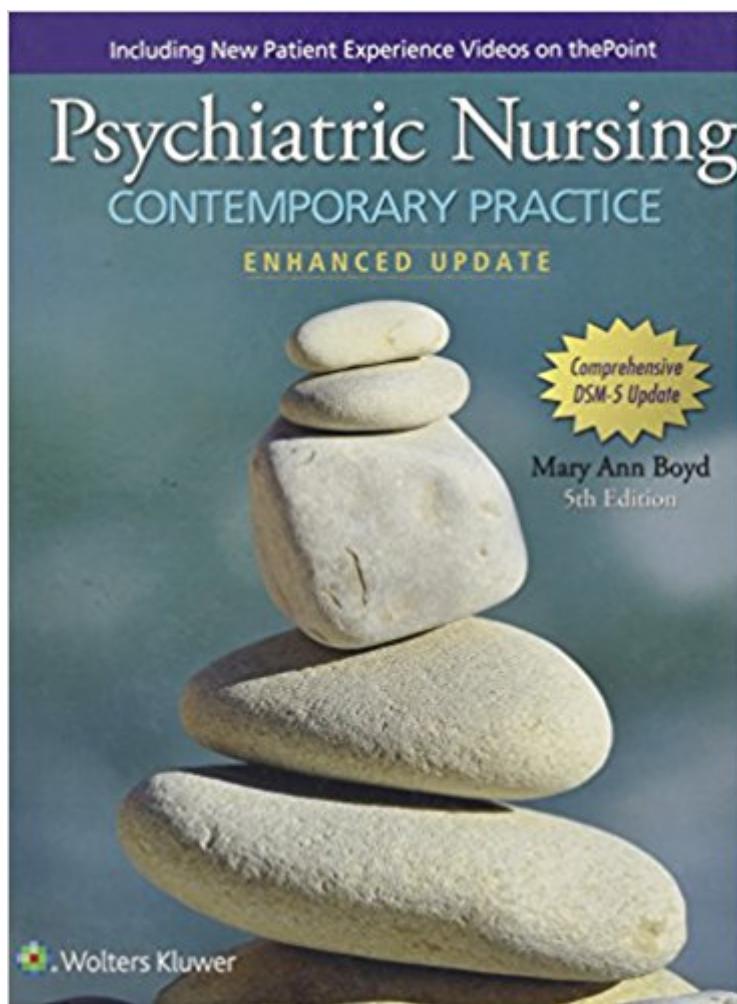


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# Psychiatric Nursing: Contemporary Practice



## **Synopsis**

Psychiatric Nursing: Contemporary Practice, 5th edition, Enhanced Update provides thorough coverage of psychiatric mental health nursing organized around the DSM-5 diagnostic criteria. With an emphasis on the recovery model, the book follows DSM-5 guidelines and has expanded content. The 5th edition, Enhanced Update addresses the changes in the DSM-5 diagnostic criteria in a response to market needs. This Update includes core DSM-5 changes, select reference updates, and integration of icons to highlight related "patient experience videos" that are available on thePoint website. It also retains an emphasis on the recovery model, which focuses on a patient's potential for recovery, involving the partnership between patient and health care provider as a journey of transformation, rather than as a set outcome. This title is an American Journal of Nursing 2015 Book of The Year Contest Winner.

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## **Customer Reviews**

I have a BA in psychology and went back to school for nursing. This was our assigned textbook for our psych nursing class, and I have honestly never been less impressed with a, assigned book. I felt like the author just typed each disorder into Google scholar and wrote a sentence about each article without actually looking at the evidence behind them. Rather than go into the details of evidence based theories of neurobiological causes of psychiatric disorders, she tosses out a grab-bag of hypotheses that often contradict each other, or, with even the most rudimentary research, are shown to have been widely discredited through research. A similar problem is presented with statistics that contradict each other from chapter to chapter (in some instances, from sentence to

sentence). The changes for DSM 5 are minimal and seem to have been written before the DSM5 was published, meaning that there is a good amount of speculation about changes that "might" occur and never ended up taking place (and yes, due to an error, I ended up with the DSMV and DSMIVTR versions of this textbook). This book contains almost zero guidance on actual nursing interventions to help the mental health patient population. The "care plans" included are rudimentary and filled with typos. There is literally no mention of self-harm as anything but a suicidal or parasuicidal behavior. The only disorder that it is mentioned as a "symptom" of is borderline personality disorder. "coping skills" for patients are mentioned in the vaguest manner as something we should teach and model for our patients- but there are very few examples of actual, practical coping skills. Dual diagnoses are barely mentioned. I hope that professors will think twice about the misconceptions and stereotypes that this book has the potential to instill in their students. There are plenty of excellent resources for mental health nursing, and this is not one of them.

This textbook is nice in that it has a conversational tone and doesn't seem to make things too much more complicated than they need to be. I don't like how every disease is split up into biological, social, and psychiatric domains within the chapter--it makes it hard to find the info I need. The major reason this got such a low score is OH LORD THE TYPOS. They are awful, many sentences don't even make sense at all (as in you can't even figure out what the heck they mean), and there are misspellings galore. It makes it hard to understand concepts when half the sentences don't make any sense!

Horrible book

The product was labeled as new but when the package was open, the cover was slightly dirty and the edges were bent!!!!

This book is pretty terrible. The set up is nice; however, it's FULL of misspellings and grammatical errors, which I can't get over. I was extremely pissed that I spent that much money on a book that wasn't spell checked.

The book is alright, I feel that the information is not laid out in the best way. Some good information though. Definitely learned more from this book than my professor!

The book was listed like new. It looks a bit more beat up than that. There is some highlighting in it and the cover isn't in the best shape. However, it is a book and it was cheap and I am on a tight budget and affordable textbooks are nice. The code has still not been used so from that standpoint the book is awesome. I couldn't ask for a more affordable book with the online code. Thanks!

I bought this book because it was required for one of my nursing classes. The construction of the book was in pretty good shape. The content of the book was very informative and helpful. The book gave good descriptions of situations that I would encounter once I became a nurse. I liked reading it...did I just say that?

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