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### **Review**

“This text is clearly ahead of Hepworth in terms of diversity, on the HIPPA information, and on NASW Ethics... there is much more emphasis on empowerment and the strengths perspective.” —Larry Livingston, University of Illinois-Springfield

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### **Basic Approach:**

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Written in an engaging style by experienced authors, this text encourages the development of students' critical-thinking skills. Highlights include chapter opening case studies, numerous case studies within each

chapter, and an abundance of modeled responses, sample dialogues and exercises.

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- New coverage of gambling addictions and their assessment, as well as a new section on **assessing depression in older adults** (Ch.5)
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