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Using stories and interviews to show the many different behaviors and symptoms of BDD, and a quick self-assessment questionnaire, Dr. Phillips guides readers through the basics of the disorder and through the many treatment options that work and don't work. With *Understanding Body Dysmorphic Disorder: An Essential Guide*, sufferers will find both helpful advice and much needed reassurance in a compact, down-to-earth indispensable book.



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