



Understanding Child and Family Welfare Statutory Responses to Children at Risk

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How do workers around the world balance risk and support to ensure that their practice meets the ever-changing needs of children and their families? Renowned authors Marie Connolly and Kate Morris join forces to explore the frameworks and ideas which have shaped contemporary child and family welfare practice. From definitions of abuse to assessment models, they examine the knowledge base which lies at the heart of safe and effective statutory practice with children and families. Drawing on examples from a range of English-speaking jurisdictions, the book explores: How to engage families, including participatory approaches and the role of the Family Group Conference; How to create positive out-of-home environments for children, discussing foster, kinship and residential care and adoption settings; How to improve professional decision-making through supervision and other organizational frameworks. At a time when child welfare systems across the globe are undergoing review, *Understanding Child and Family Welfare* provides a timely exploration of the reform agendas which will...

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- The most up to date text on the market:??
- An author team with a strong background in the field; Marie Connolly has held the post of Chief Social Worker in New Zealand and has advised a number of governments on their own child welfare policies, while Kate Morris is a highly respected international academic who reviews welfare processes across Europe
- A truly international scope, it pulls together examples of policy and practice from a number of English speaking jurisdictions.
- A dynamic, ever-changing field, child and family welfare is a constantly evolving area of practice and research.