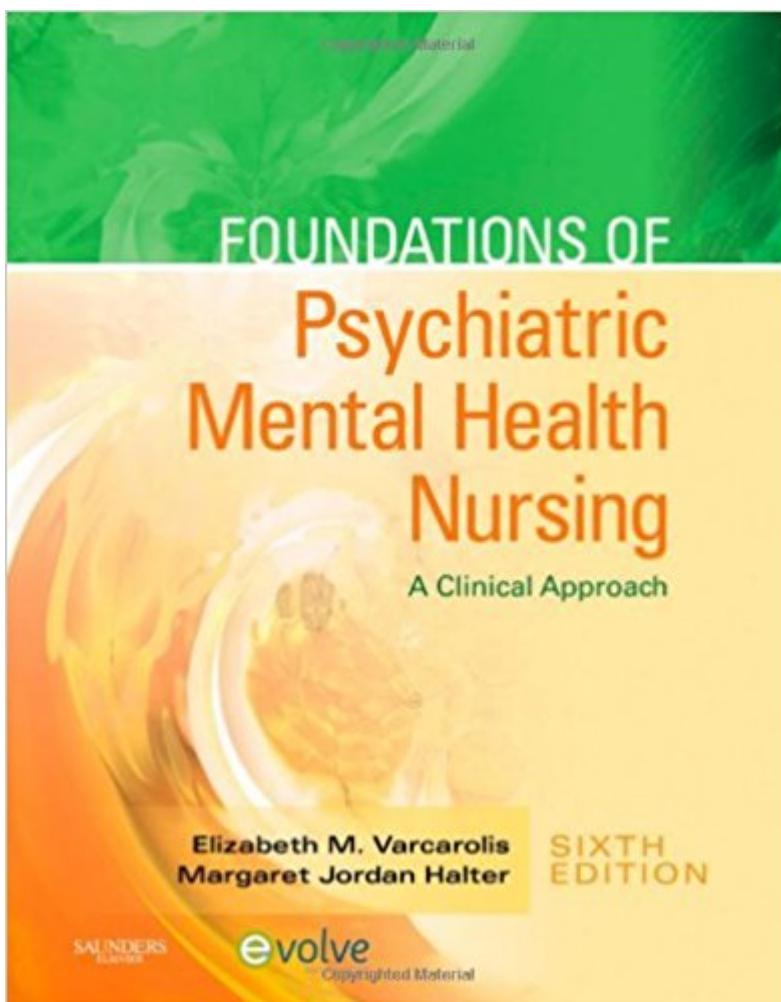


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# Foundations Of Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing: A Clinical Approach, 6e



## Synopsis

The 6th edition of this market-leading textbook offers a clear, straightforward way to understand the often intimidating subject of psychiatric mental health nursing. Its practical, clinical perspective and user-friendly writing style help you quickly master key concepts. Clinical chapters follow the nursing process framework and progress from theory to application with a wealth of real-world examples to prepare you for practice. **UNIQUE!** A conversational, user-friendly writing style helps you quickly grasp complex psychiatric mental health nursing concepts. Clinical chapters are logically and consistently organized with sections on the clinical picture, epidemiology, comorbidity, etiology, and application of the nursing process. Clinical chapters follow the nursing process, providing you with consistent guidelines for comprehensive assessment and intervention. Vignettes prepare you for real-world practice with personal, descriptive characterizations of patients with specific psychiatric disorders. Coverage of psychopharmacology in clinical chapters familiarizes you with specific drug treatment options, including the most commonly used drugs and important nursing considerations for their use. Assessment Guidelines boxes list essential guidelines for comprehensive patient assessment. Case Studies with Nursing Care Plans present individualized histories of patients with specific psychiatric disorders and include interventions with rationales and evaluation statements for each patient goal. A separate chapter on cultural implications, as well as Considering Culture boxes throughout the text, provides essential information on culture, worldviews, and techniques for providing culturally competent care. Coverage of treatment and recovery in the community addresses the need for successful ongoing psychiatric mental health nursing care in the community setting. A chapter on end-of-life care examines the psychological impact of terminal illness and death on patients, families, and nurses. Updated nursing process and clinical chapters keep you current with the latest ANA Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice. An increased focus on health promotion and recovery reflects federal, state, and local initiatives to improve screening methods, patient and family teaching, rehabilitation, and community treatment options for people who have mental illnesses. Enhanced Evidence-Based Practice boxes emphasize the profound impact of research and your potential role in that process on the advancement of psychiatric treatment options. A new chapter on sleep disorders covers the most common sleep disturbances and their relationships to psychiatric illness, as well as the nurse's role in their assessment and management. A new chapter on sexual dysfunction and sexual disorders examines the complex issue of sexual behavior and provides the information you need to conduct a sexual assessment, identify sexual dysfunctions and disorders, recognize nursing implications, and formulate interventions.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

This book provides standard information about mental health nursing care in an easy to read manner. However, the book and resource materials are poorly edited. Misspellings, blatant mistakes, and wrong answer keys are common. In one section of the online resources for the book, they refer to bupropion as generic Prozac, a mistake that if made in the field, would get the nurse's license taken. For such a late edition of the book, it's unimaginable that this many mistakes exist! What's worse, teachers taking questions from the test bank must be careful because the editing mistakes are frequent in there as well. It has been an endless frustration to my nursing class because my inexperienced professor is of the mindset that if it's in the test bank, it is right, even though many of the questions we received were clearly wrong or had more than one answer. That being said, this book also has issues where information in one section of the chapter contradicts information appearing in another section. I believe this is due to the fact that multiple writers composed each chapter. Hey editors:- It's spelled "Rett Syndrome", not "Rhett's Disorder". And they do know what causes it. p639- It's no longer considered appropriate to use a tongue blade on a seizing individual. Get this out of your book. p392- The paragraph about Middle Eastern suicide bombers is racist and offensive, and doesn't really belong in a mental health nursing book. Keep your politics to yourself. p552- "Cent-rally" is not supposed to be spelled with a hyphen. p328- About half the questions on the resource CD are keyed wrong. Thanks again.- and much much more. Elizabeth Varcarolis/Elsevier could do well by hiring an editor or ten. I'd be embarrassed to

have my name on such a sloppy book.

The book is well-organized for the most part, and easy to follow. The reading level is a little simple and conversational, so it's probably really intended for a basic intro to psych nursing -- the "advanced practice" sections could probably be left out, as anyone who is studying to be an advanced practice psych nurse would find this book too simplistic and without sufficient detail. The care plans at the end of each chapter are very good, as are the majority of tables and vignettes. However...there are spelling mistakes, editing mistakes, and (as is almost always the case with Elsevier titles), problems with the practice questions and answers. I'm right now looking at chapter 17 (Cognitive Disorders) -- the chapter review question #5 (there are 5 per chapter) is an alternate-item "select all that apply" question, and the options are numbered 1-6; the answer key in the back of the book says the correct answers are "4,5,6,7." There is no "7." This sort of mistake, even in late editions, is exactly what I have come to be very frustrated with while using Elsevier/Mosby/Evolve materials. There are also several sentences with misspellings in words or letters missing or spaces in the middle of a word. This should not be the case in a 6th edition book. It's unprofessional and distracting. I would like some rationales for the chapter review questions -- there's not much learning in not knowing why a certain answer is better than the others.

This book was a huge pain to have in my class. It is full of contradictions, and it is extremely poorly edited. If you are taking this class online, good luck. If you have a lecture for this class, listen well. The questions that come on the CD contradict the book and are extremely poorly edited. I really wish we had gone with a different book for this class.

This book is repetitive and useless for studying because the answers to the chapters are not correct, for example, listing option "5" as correct when there is no option 5! Any professor who chooses this book must be getting a kick-back from the company or is just too lazy to find an adequate book.

The 7e book was required for my nursing class, but I checked with a professor if this version would be okay and it was. Save yourself some money and get this edition if your professor allows it. The chapters are not in the same order in older edition but covers the same information. Just look up chapters by title. This book was easier to read than other nursing textbooks. Pertinent information are in highlighted boxes, very helpful. I liked how there were little stories about different psych

patients that helped with memorization.

This is a decent read with all the pertinent information one would need to know for their clinical/theoretical classes. However the organizational style leaves something to be desired. At times it seemed a bit hard to follow the flow of the reading in my opinion (hence 3 stars)

Book was in good condition, the hardcover was still intact & no bent edges, the pages were not bent. There was a lot of highlighting throughout the book, which was in the description when I bought it. And it was received on time when stated. This review is supposed to be for the seller but I can't delete it now because it isn't an option. I have not used this book yet, I will be starting my 3rd semester in nursing school in the fall & I will use it then.

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