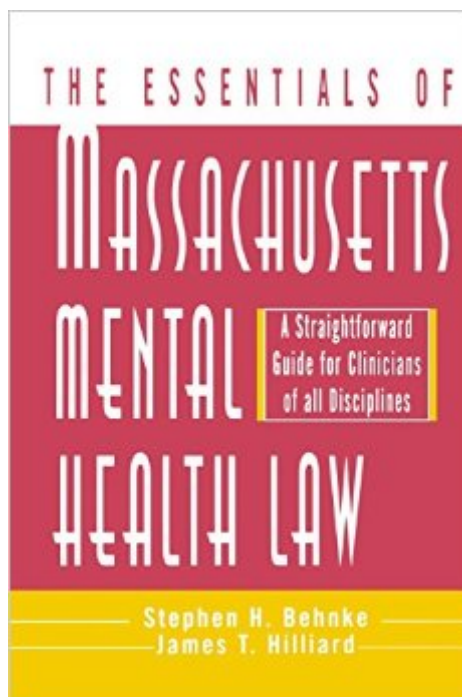


The book was found

# **The Essentials Of Massachusetts Mental Health Law: A Straightforward Guide For Clinicians Of All Disciplines (The Essentials Of Series)**



## Synopsis

This series arose from Stephen Behnke's experience teaching psychiatric residents, psychology interns, and social work students at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center. Trainees consistently mentioned how helpful it was to have laws relevant to their clinical practice explained in a way that removed the mystery and anxiety associated with lawyers, courts, and judges. Each volume in the series sets forth, in a clear, straightforward, and user-friendly manner, pertinent legislation and court cases, covering why the law was written, what the law says, and how the law affects clinical practice.

## Book Information

Series: The Essentials of Series

Paperback: 240 pages

Publisher: W. W. Norton & Company; 1 edition (April 17, 1998)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0393702499

ISBN-13: 978-0393702491

Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.7 x 9 inches

Shipping Weight: 1.1 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.2 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (5 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #771,966 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #46 in [Books > Law > Health & Medical Law > Mental Health](#) #326 in [Books > Medical Books > Medicine > Internal Medicine > Pathology > Forensic Medicine](#) #1629 in [Books > Textbooks > Social Sciences > Psychology > Psychopathology](#)

## Customer Reviews

This book, one of a series on mental health law in different states, should be required reading for every practicing mental health clinician. First in a narrative section and then in a question-and-answer format, the book covers key aspects of the law (civil commitment, guardianship, confidentiality, subpoenas, consultation, criminal issues, liability and record-keeping) that are relevant to, and affect, clinical practice. It covers these issues with thoughtfulness, elegant writing and with empathy and respect for the reader. And, it makes the law alive, vital and exciting. Reading it is like listening to a very intelligent conversation that explains how the law understands, and supports, the work we do and invites us to think about the process of meetings its standards. Although focused on Massachusetts law, I suspect that the book could also be helpful to

clinicians from other areas because the issues addressed cut across state lines. The book teaches us about the law while weaving a story about the way the law interacts with, and informs, clinical practice. The book also shows us how the law has broadened the context of clinical practice to take the public welfare into account. The book teaches clinicians how to think about legal and ethical conflicts, how to approach these dilemmas in an intelligent way and how to protect ourselves from legal violations. For instance, the section on the landmark Tarasoff decision, which has affected practice in every state, covers the California decision in detail, the way it has been modified to fit mental health practice in Massachusetts and how it gets played out in actual practice. This book is an important reference work that clinicians will want to consult often as a very readable guide to ethically and legally sound practice. I recommend it highly

This book was great. Easy to read and actually enjoyable. Very well written. I bought it to study for the Massachusetts Jurisprudence Exam and unfortunately, I failed the exam by one item! It wasn't the book's fault but if you're studying for that exam the book isn't enough.

I have used this book on many occasions as a psych nurse...but recently was embarrassed by quoting a fact that later I learned was wrong because a law that is cited has been changed since 1998. This book needs updating!

Bought this to study for the MA Psychology Jurisprudence exam. It was incredibly helpful in understanding and learning the law. Terrific summaries and tables - I will keep this handy for future reference.

It had a lot of notes from the previous owner. It was a tough read through their notes and markings.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

The Essentials of Massachusetts Mental Health Law: A Straightforward Guide for Clinicians of All Disciplines (The Essentials of Series) The Essentials of New York Mental Health Law: A Straightforward Guide for Clinicians of All Disciplines (Norton Professional Books) The Essentials of Florida Mental Health Law: A Straightforward Guide for Clinicians of All Disciplines (Norton Professional Books) Clinical Anesthesia Procedures of the Massachusetts General Hospital: Department of Anesthesia, Critical Care and Pain Medicine, Massachusetts General ... of the Massachusetts General Hospital) Mental Health: Personalities: Personality Disorders, Mental Disorders & Psychotic Disorders (Bipolar, Mood Disorders, Mental Illness, Mental Disorders,

Narcissist, Histrionic, Borderline Personality) MENTAL ILLNESS: Learn the Early Signs of Mental Illness in Teens (Teen mental illness, teen mental health, teen issues, peer issues, treatment) Legal and Ethical Issues for Mental Health Clinicians: Best Practices for Avoiding Litigation, Complaints and Malpractice Diagnosis Made Easier, Second Edition: Principles and Techniques for Mental Health Clinicians (100 Cases) Marriage: monogamy and polygamy on the basis of divine law, of natural law and of constitutional law : an open letter to the Massachusetts members of ... the opinion of the Supreme Court in Reynold ADHD: A Mental Disorder or A Mental Advantage (2nd Edition) (ADHD Children, ADHD Adults, ADHD Parenting, ADD, Hyperactivity, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Mental Disorders) Train Your Brain & Mental Strength : How to Train Your Brain for Mental Toughness & 7 Core Lessons to Achieve Peak Mental Performance: (Special 2 In 1 Exclusive Edition) The Bar Exam Is Easy: A Straightforward Guide on How to Pass the Bar Exam with Less Study Time and Save \$3,000 Bodybuilding: The Straightforward Bodybuilding Diet Guide to Build Muscle, Build Strength and Put On Mass Fast As Hell (Fitness, Bodybuilding Nutrition, ... diet books, weight loss, strength training) Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing, 5e (Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing (Fortinash)) The Essentials of Biostatistics for Physicians, Nurses, and Clinicians All-in-One Nursing Care Planning Resource: Medical-Surgical, Pediatric, Maternity, and Psychiatric-Mental Health, 4e (All in One Care Planning Resource) The Essentials of California Mental Health Law 1st (first) edition Text Only New England Month-by-Month Gardening: What to Do Each Month to Have a Beautiful Garden All Year - Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont Exercise For The Brain: 70 Neurobic Exercises To Increase Mental Fitness & Prevent Memory Loss: How Non Routine Actions And Thoughts Improve Mental Health Building Academic Language: Meeting Common Core Standards Across Disciplines, Grades 5-12 (Jossey-Bass Education Series)

[Dmca](#)