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Review

This book merits prime real estate on any social worker's desk or bookshelf. For all the writings about leadership in our profession, this work stands alone by addressing the realities and complexities of social work. In today's world, every social worker--even an independent practitioner--must learn to be an effective manager. We in social work education have long recognized the lack of management practice in our curricula, and now we have the ideal text to fill that gap. No matter how many years of experience the reader has, the range of topics and the depth of practical knowledge offered by the authors make this book accessible, thought-provoking, and ultimately reassuring to social workers that we can, and should, take on the challenges of leadership. --Suzanne England, Dean, School of Social Work, New York University

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