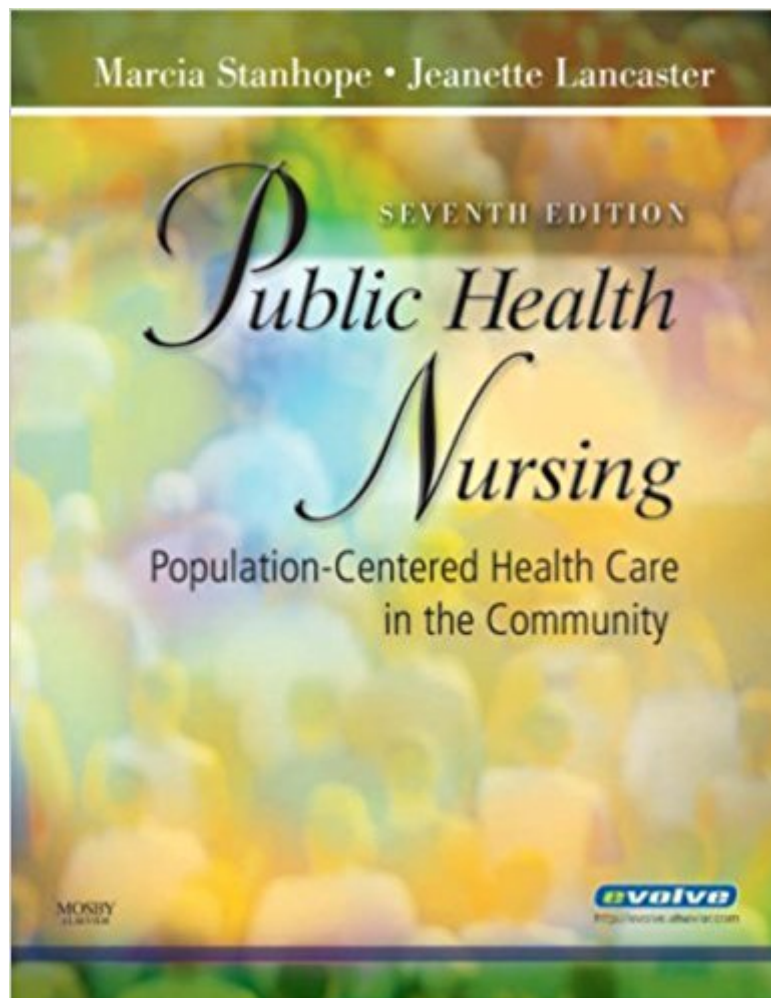




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# Public Health Nursing: Population-Centered Health Care In The Community, 7e



## Synopsis

The "gold standard" text in community health nursing is now available in an updated, 7th edition! This respected text gives you a solid foundation in community and public health nursing concepts and interventions for individuals, families, and communities. Throughout, health promotion and disease prevention concepts are integrated into the multifaceted role of population-focused, community-oriented nursing practice. You'll find timely coverage of topics such as nursing roles following terrorist attacks and during infectious disease outbreaks; parish nursing; nurse-managed centers; and important client populations such as clients with AIDS, pregnant teens, and the homeless. Student-friendly features provide an accessible and challenging learning experience, and new content throughout keeps you up to date with this fast-changing field. Comprehensive coverage addresses the multiple roles of public health nurses, the varied clients they care for, and the different settings where they practice. Full-color design, photos, and illustrations are visually appealing and useful for effective study and real-world representations. Varied client focus addresses nursing care for individuals, families, and communities, giving you the information you need to care for each type of client group. An entire unit is devoted to vulnerable populations, so you can better serve such high-risk clients as the homeless, clients with substance abuse problems, and victims of domestic violence. Important chapter concepts and terminology (Objectives, Key Terms, Chapter Outline, and Chapter Review) are highlighted for quick reference. Numerous appendixes offer additional resources and key information, such as screening and assessment tools and clinical practice guidelines. Discussion-generating features such as Did You Know?, What Do You Think?, The Cutting Edge, Nursing Tip, How-To..., Evidence-Based Practice, Practice Application questions and answers, and Levels of Prevention boxes. Separate chapters provide thorough coverage of significant community and public health initiatives: Healthy Cities program, nursing centers, and a community health promotion integrated model. Critical-thinking and problem-solving skills are encouraged with Practice Applications Clinical Decision-Making Activities. Evolve web site for students includes Community Assessment Applied (exercises focused on community assessment), case studies with questions and answers, NCLEX exam style review questions with answers and correct answer rationales, a glossary, answers to Practice Applications, WebLinks, and content updates. Evolve web site for instructors includes an Instructor's Manual, Test Bank, Image Collection, PowerPoint Slides, and tips on using Hale: Real World Community Health Nursing, 2nd Edition CD-ROM with this book. An entire chapter on the Minnesota Public Health Interventions Wheel explains the interventions in detail, providing a mechanism for applying this new and innovative model to practice. Community Assessment Applied, a FREE online resource that

accompanies the text, offers tools and opportunities to practice community assessment. Chapter on surveillance describes monitoring health events through collection, analysis, and interpretation of health data, a key aspect of the protection of the public's health. Expanded content on forensic nursing in the chapter on violence, giving you detailed knowledge on this new and growing nursing specialty. Revised international health chapter focuses on worldwide health issues so you develop a global health perspective. Health education and group practices chapter encourages you to focus on community/population-level education and emphasizes family, group, and community education. Healthy People 2010 boxes contain objectives and data from the most recent version of this federal government health promotion initiative, relating them to the practice of community and public health nursing. Timely new information on disaster management addresses this complex issue in light of its implications for today's public health nurses.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

I understand textbooks are a tool for information; there are no guidelines for what makes a great textbook because let's be serious, it's rare to find a textbook that makes the content interesting enough to read for fun. So these complaints are real, it's not that the content for the CLASS is boring, it's that this book is just poorly put together. I was really excited for this class since it's an area that I'd like to work in the future, but this book is just horrible horrible. My biggest complaint is its redundancy. I feel like the editor just sent out topics for random nurses to write about, and stuck them in the book without regard to flow, redundancy, etc. If I have to read the words,

"Community/public health nursing has three/four components...(insert whatever components each author decides are most important)" one more time I might have a stroke. It's comparable to reading a new book with each chapter, with the same topic but different criteria for what comprises PHN. Thank goodness my clinical for this class teaches me something, because I'm not getting anything from this. But the kindle version is really nice, it's easy to highlight and you can read all your highlights on a single page without having to skip around, and it has a nifty flashcard tool that I haven't utilized yet, but looks promising. But the textbook itself...yeah no. But I had to get it anyway so what can I do.

Required for class, and hands down, THE worst written text I've ever had the displeasure of reading (or attempted to read)! If I was actually interested in becoming a community health nurse, I might be a little less resentful, but even then, the writers MUST attempt to keep the reader involved and interested in the material they're presenting. This was not the case in this book. So much information is given and so many details are listed that I could not focus properly on what I was suppose to learn. I passed, but that's because the class ran for only 1/2 a semester and I didn't have to have an in-depth knowledge of every aspect the writers presented. The best thing about this text...sending it packing for trade-in.

This book was excruciatingly boring to read. There were regularly entire paragraphs that literally said nothing. It's a great book if you want to memorize 40 different acronyms of organizations that you will never need to know about per chapter. Even the online review Q's were crap, which is unfortunate, because usually the Evolve Q's are very helpful. Some of them didn't even have the right answer keyed. If your teacher picks this book for your class, then try to just answer the objectives at the beginning of the chapter, know the terms, and look at the tables. Of course all teachers' test Q's are different.

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Very difficult to read (experienced college student). I have no idea how they are going to choose the information to test on, because every chapter is like reading 10. Too much useless information that could be condensed for flow of reading. OR maybe write a different book on the history of PHN....

First off, the quality of the book - a brand new book - is substandard. They put some tear out pages in the front that made the cover pull away from the binding. When you drop the better part of a Benjamin on a book you want it to stand up. Second, the pictures are irrelevant and sometimes outdated. Look at figure 44-5 or the unlabeled one on page 743. What do they add to the subject? Nothing would be my answer. There are many more examples. I mean, thanks for giving a break from the wordy text, but at least make the pictures interesting and relevant. There are attempts to break up the wordy writing with the typical Elsevier "What do you think" and "nursing tip" and some "cutting edge" stuff but it was usually distracting and not informative. Oh, don't forget the "how to" blurbs - probably the most interesting. There are 10 pages before you even get to the table of contents. Ridiculous. I did learn from this book and especially the class, but the book is overpriced, heavy and could really benefit from the concept of bullet points. Also, it is poorly constructed.

Rented this book - the corners were kinda frayed & curled back but the text was still readable. Maybe if it was a more interesting topic, I'd be giving it more stars. It wasn't a difficult read - the chapters were laid out ok and the material presented alright, but it was just eh, average. Nothing about this book was memorable or made me think, "OOooo, I wish I had bought it instead of renting it".

I feel very comforted reading every one else's reviews on the difficulty of getting through a chapter of this book. It is impossible to read. And even more impossible to find information in. It is poorly organized and not very user friendly. Even worse, try taking quizzes using this book. I have scored poorly/failed every one of my quizzes which is not in my character. This book is A-W-F-U-L, I would not recommend it to anyone unless they have to use it for class.

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