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Attached at the Heart - Barbara Nicholson 2013-08-06

"Trust me. This is the only baby book you'll ever need! It's amazing, heartwarming, and completely user-friendly. Just add your heart!" --Christiane Northrup, MD, author of Mother-Daughter Wisdom, The Wisdom of Menopause, and Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom Attached at the Heart offers readers practical parenting advice for the modern age. In its most basic form, "attachment parenting" is instinctive. A crying baby is comforted and kept close to parents for protection. If hungry, he or she is breastfed. And while it is understood that there is no such thing as perfect parenting, research suggests that there is a strong correlation between a heightened sense of respect, empathy, and affection in those children raised the "attachment parenting" way. In this controversial book, readers will gain much needed insight into childrearing while learning to trust the intuitive knowledge of their child, ultimately building a strong foundation that will strengthen the parent-child bond. Using the Eight Principles of Parenting, readers will learn: How to prepare for baby before birth Why breastfeeding is a must for busy moms When to start feeding solid food How to respond to temper tantrums Sleeping safety guidelines and the benefits of cosleeping Tips for short separation How to practice positive discipline and its rewards Tips for finding and maintaining balance The benefits of using a baby sling and implementing infant massage Tips on dealing with criticism from those opposed or unfamiliar with AP style The dangers surrounding traditional discipline styles of parenting Contrary to popular belief, "attachment parenting" has been practiced in one form or another since recorded history. Over the years, it had been slowly replaced by a more detached parenting style—a style that is now believed by experts to be a lead contributing factor to suicide, depression, and violence. The concept of "attachment parenting"—a term originally coined by parenting experts William and Martha Sears—has increasingly been validated by research in many fields of study, such as child development, psychology, and neuroscience. Also known as "conscious parenting," "natural parenting," "compassionate parenting," or "empathic parenting," its goal is to stimulate optimal child development. While many attachment-parenting recommendations likely counter popular societal beliefs, authors Barbara Nicholson and Lysa Parker are quick to point out that the benefits outweigh the backlash of criticism that advocates of detached parenting may impose.

Diet Fiction - Michal Siewierski 2019-01-08

Diet Fiction is the story of humans' battle with excess weight - from ancient times, when the problem was first observed, through today. Right now, about two billion people or 30% of the world's population, are overweight or obese. For many of them, "the yoyo effect" has become a way of life. Their weight goes up and down, and then back up again. Each time they lose weight, they end up regaining the weight they lost and then some. While it is sometimes hard to understand, hundreds of millions of people have actually dieted themselves to fatness. Some people say the reason for our epidemic of overweight people is genetics, but it is impossible for genetics to explain such a rapid increase in the prevalence of overweight and obese people. Something else is clearly going on. What is it? There is no end to the number of theories put forth. One of the reasons is that there is so much money to be made in offering a solution for those who are suffering from "the yoyo effect." Dr. Pam Popper, Ph.D., N.D. and filmmaker Michal Siewierski (Food

Choices, Diet Fiction), join forces to create a book that empowers the reader with factual, unbiased, science based information that can help people regain control over their weight and their health, by making simple dietary and lifestyle changes.

Critiquing the Psychiatric Model - Eric Maisel 2022-02-21

Critiquing the Psychiatric Model is the first Volume of the Ethics International Press Critical Psychology and Critical Psychiatry Series. Understanding the current systems of psychology and psychiatry is profoundly important. So is exploring alternatives. The Critical Psychology and Critical Psychiatry Series presents solicited chapters from international experts on a wide variety of underexplored subjects. This is a series for mental health researchers, teachers, and practitioners, for parents and interested lay readers, and for anyone trying to make sense of anxiety, depression, and other emotional difficulties. Critiquing the Psychiatric Model sets out to present a clear picture of the current mental disorder paradigm, one that claims an ability to diagnose and treat mental disorders and that provides medication as its primary treatment. Critiquing the Psychiatric Model traces the history of the psychiatric model and its diagnostic manual and identifies its flaws and problem areas by presenting more than twenty solicited chapters from experts worldwide.

The Ritalin Fact Book - Peter Breggin 2009-04-30

Known as the "Ralph Nader of psychiatry," Peter Breggin has been the medical expert in countless civil and criminal cases involving the use or misuse of psychoactive medications. This unusual position has given him unprecedented access to private pharmaceutical research and correspondence files, access that informs this straight-talking guide to the most-prescribed and controversial class of psychoactive medications prescribed for children. From how these drugs work in the brain to documented side and withdrawal effects, The Ritalin Fact Book is up-to-the-minute and easy-to-access. With its suggestions for non-prescriptive ways to treat ADD and ADHD, it is essential reading for every parent whose child is on or who has been recommended psychoactive medication.

Guilt, Shame, and Anxiety - Peter R. Breggin, MD 2014-12-02

With the first unified theory of guilt, shame, and anxiety, this pioneering psychiatrist and critic of psychiatric diagnoses and drugs examines the causes and effects of psychological and emotional suffering from the perspective of biological evolution, child development, and mature adult decision-making. Drawing on evolution, neuroscience, and decades of clinical experience, Dr. Breggin analyzes what he calls our negative legacy emotions—the painful emotional heritage that encumbers all human beings. The author marshals evidence that we evolved as the most violent and yet most empathic creatures on Earth. Evolution dealt with this species-threatening conflict between our violence and our close-knit social life by building guilt, shame, and anxiety into our genes. These inhibiting emotions were needed prehistorically to control our self-assertiveness and aggression within intimate family and clan relationships. Dr. Breggin shows how guilt, shame, and anxiety eventually became self-defeating and demoralizing legacies from our primitive past that no longer play any useful or positive role in mature adult life. He then guides the reader through the Three Steps to Emotional Freedom, starting with how to identify negative legacy emotions and then

how to reject their control over us. Finally, he describes how to triumph over and transcend guilt, shame, and anxiety on the way to greater emotional freedom and a more rational, loving, and productive life.

Moving Beyond Depression - Gregory L. Jantz 2003

You Can Hope Again You may feel as if you will never find a way out of the darkness of depression. Gregory L. Jantz, Ph.D. believes that because people's paths into depression are uniquely their own, their paths out of depression will be unique as well. In Moving Beyond Depression, he takes an insightful and honest look at the emotional, environmental, relational, physical, and spiritual causes of this disease. Here you will find practical help that will lead you to true freedom.

Your Drug May Be Your Problem - Peter Breggin 2007-09-07

When first published in 1999, Your Drug May Be Your Problem was ahead of its time. The only book to provide an uncensored description of the dangers involved in taking every kind of psychiatric medication, it was also the first and only book to explain how to safely stop taking them. In the time elapsed, there have been numerous studies suggesting or proving the dangers of some psychiatric medications and even the FDA now acknowledges the problems; more studies are under way to determine their long-term and withdrawal effects. In the meantime, this book continues to be ever relevant and helpful. Fully updated to include study results and new medications that have come to market, Your Drug May Be Your Problem will help countless readers exert control over their own psychiatric treatment.

Brain-Disabling Treatments in Psychiatry - Peter R. Breggin, MD 2007-12-17

From the author of Toxic Psychiatry and Talking Back to Prozac: "Peter Breggin is the conscience of American psychiatry. Once more he updates us on the real evidence with respect to the safety and effectiveness of specific psychiatric medications and ECT. This information is needed by all mental health professionals, as well as patients and families." --Bertram Karon, Ph.D., Professor of Psychology, Michigan State University, Author of The Psychotherapy of Schizophrenia "Nowhere does false medical thinking do more harm than in the modern psychiatric argument that mental illness is easily diagnosed and then cured by a side-effect free drug. Nowhere is the correct psychiatric thinking more evident than in the books by Peter Breggin."-- William Glasser, MD, psychiatrist, author of Reality Therapy In Brain Disabling Treatments in Psychiatry, renowned psychiatrist Peter R. Breggin, M.D., presents startling scientific research on the dangerous behavioral abnormalities and brain dysfunctions produced by the most widely used and newest psychiatric drugs such as Prozac, Paxil, Zoloft, Cymbalta, Effexor, Xanax, Ativan, Ritalin, Adderall, Concerta, Strattera, Risperdal, Zyprexa, Geodon, Abilify, lithium and Depakote. Many of Breggin's earlier findings have improved clinical practice, led to legal victories against drug companies, and resulted in FDA-mandated changes in what the manufacturers must admit about their drugs. Yet reliance on these drugs has continued to escalate in the last decade, and drug company interests have overwhelmed psychiatric practice. This greatly expanded second edition, supported by the latest evidence-based research, shows that psychiatric drugs achieve their primary or essential effect by causing brain dysfunction, and that they tend to do far more harm than good. New scientific analyses in this completely updated edition include: Chapters covering every new antidepressant and stimulant drug Twenty new guidelines for how to conduct non-drug therapy A chapter describing how to safely withdraw from psychiatric drugs A discussion of "medication spellbinding," explaining how patients fail to appreciate their drug-induced mental dysfunctions Documentation of how the drug companies control research and the flow of information about psychiatric treatments

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COVID-19 and the Global Predators - Peter Breggin 2021-09-30

COVID-19 and the Global Predators is much more than an analysis of the current exploitation of humanity under cover of the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic. It discloses for the first time the actual blueprint and master plan that that was ten years in the making by global predators before the pandemic: a plan to reorganize

the world in the name of public health. Billionaires, government agencies, giant funds, and major industries collaborated years ahead of time to lay the groundwork for what would become Operation Warp Speed and the Great Reset in 2020. All this is disclosed, individuals and groups are named, and their plans for the future are documented. The book concludes with chapters on what America and the world must do in the coming weeks and months to save humanity's freedoms. Many top medical and public health experts treating and examining COVID 19 agree this is the most comprehensive book about who and what is behind the draconian measures that are crushing individual freedoms and many of the societies and economies of the Western World including the United States, Canada, Great Britain, and Australia. Three of these medical doctors have confirmed this in their introductions to the book: physicians Peter McCullough MD MPH, Vladimir "Zev" Zelenko MD and Elizabeth Lee Vliet MD. They are echoed by endorsements from Robert F Kennedy Jr. and Paul Alexander PhD. This book thoroughly documents solid answers to these tragic questions about the global predators who are reaping enormous benefits from COVID-19 suffering including wealth, power and the destruction of America as an opposition to globalism. Who are the "they"- these Global Predators? What are their motives and their plans for us? How can we defend against them? Why did they: ■ Plan Warp Speed for a SARS-CoV pandemic years before it came? ■ Distribute mRNA and DNA vaccines that killed lab animals and now humans? ■ Collaborate with the Chinese making pandemic viruses & bioweapons? ■ Hide the origin of SARS-CoV-2 in the Wuhan Institute? ■ Let China spread the virus around the world on passenger planes? ■ Give so much power to Dr. Anthony Fauci? Why do they continue to: ■ Prohibit cheap, available, safe and effective COVID-19 treatments? ■ Impose draconian closures on our society and economy? ■ Disproportionately harm or destroy small businesses and churches? ■ Make us wear masks and distance ourselves from each other? ■ Exaggerate the death rate from COVID-19 to frighten us? ■ Hide the high and growing vaccine death rate from all of us? ■ Make experimental "vaccines" that turn our bodies against ourselves? Dr. Breggin is a physician with 70+ scientific articles and 20+ medical texts and popular books. He is among the world's most experienced medical experts in landmark legal cases in psychiatry and neurosurgery, and now in COVID-19. The Breggins' bestsellers include Talking Back to Prozac and Toxic Psychiatry. Their research led the United States to cancel the deadly Chinese collaboration. Breggin is an intrepid scholar and is assiduous and methodological as he assembles all the pieces to the puzzle. His research, carried out with his wife Ginger, is impeccable, and his incisive approach sears the neck of those whose aim it is to wield power, control, and instill fear among the world's wealthiest nations.

HOW TO "FAST-FORWARD" CHANGES IN OUR LIVES USING FACEBOOK - DONALD A. DAHLIN, D.C. 2014-05-21

Can We Restore American Standards? The truth is - America has been systematically corrupted by several past Governments; there are Valid DVDS by PBS and other sources that you will find in this book to explain how this came about. But, it goes much earlier than that! It goes back into the 1800s when "Thinking men considered ancient beliefs of the Veda, Buddhism, Jesus Christ: saving our souls, and Darwin's Evolution, - trying to confront Reality." Germany: a forerunner in science, had Wilhelm Wundt a psychologist and a leader with a new understanding of the reality of Darwin and evolution declared in a party of interested persons that "Man is only an animal and has no soul that can be demonstrated; the same with God and Religion; both of them are the myths of the old people; man is an evolved chimpanzee and should be treated like an animal with a brain and nervous system, and to be observed for abnormal behavior and treated as such." Russian observers agreed and together with Germany formed the National Education (NEA) of teachers, and the birth of psychiatry. There is more but it is in my book, and the source is a well-distinguished school teacher: Samuel L. Blumenfeld and author of: N.E.A. Trojan Horse in American Education - The First Full-Length Expose of The National Education Association. © 1949-1984. Since then, American psychiatry has invaded our schools, colleges, universities, State and Federal Governments and you will learn how and what they did to our Country. They have sought to destroy - our education, religion, morals, field of medicine, the laws and our courts...and today we have illiteracy, mental illness, drug addiction, adultery, living together without marriage (responsibility), prostitution, mass shootings of family, teachers and friends, and often themselves. And etc. Again, I repeat: Can We Restore American Standards? If I provide you with all the tools or resources that will help you do the job - would you be willing to become

a Problem Solver? A person desiring to be a Problem Solver would be dealing with his/her environment with one or more persons and also promoting the IDEA through his/her Facebook connections – so it could become world-wide...perhaps like telepathy. But, read the two pages of the Contents and see for yourself the huge scope of help you will receive for common problems of illiteracy, what causes disease, how to attain optimum health and happiness. The persons you help, your children, and their future generations will all appreciate your help. So will I.

Psychosocial Approaches to Deeply Disturbed Persons - E Mark Stern 2013-11-19

At a time when biological psychiatry claims that drugs and electroshock are the best methods for helping deeply disturbed persons, mental health professionals need to be reminded that psychological and social approaches to mental illnesses remain more effective, less harmful, and much more able to address the real needs of recovery, growth, and development for affected persons. Psychosocial Approaches to Deeply Disturbed Persons empowers counselors, psychiatrists, psychologists, and social workers to trust their intuitive and clinical understanding of how to help seriously disturbed people through humane, caring approaches. Psychosocial Approaches to Deeply Disturbed Persons introduces mental health professionals to an array of psychological and social alternatives that are available for helping patients considered “psychotic” or very emotionally disturbed. Focusing on psychological and social approaches to helping people who become labeled “psychotic” or who carry serious psychiatric diagnoses, contributors show mental health professionals psychological, social, and spiritual alternatives for approaching or treating these individuals. Readers learn about: a successful model for nonmedical, non-drug residential treatment centers utilizing the artwork of psychotic patients case histories of psychoanalytic therapy group therapy to help families with a “schizophrenic” member improve communication Re-evaluation Counseling (RC) with disturbed individuals psychoanalytically-oriented therapy World Health Organization research which demonstrates the positive effect of extended family and social relationships and the negative effect of modern biopsychiatric treatment research demonstrating the efficacy of psychotherapy with persons labeled “schizophrenic” These chapters combined with a review of empirical studies demonstrate to readers the efficacy of psychotherapy with psychotic patients. Students or experienced professionals in any of the mental health fields, including psychotherapy, counseling, clinical psychology, clinical social work, and Re-evaluation Counseling will find Psychosocial Approaches to Deeply Disturbed Persons a necessity for most effectively and humanely treating clients with serious psychiatric diagnoses.

Talking Back To Prozac - Peter R. Breggin, MD 1995-09-15

Psychiatrist Peter Breggin, M.D., and coauthor Ginger Ross Breggin answer these and other crucial questions in Talking Back to Prozac. They explain what Prozac is and how it works.

The War Against Children of Color - Peter Roger Breggin 1998

The authors of the best-selling Talking back to Prozac expose the government and psychiatric establishment's threat to children. From the authors of the best-selling Talking Back to Prozac comes the definitive work exposing how mental health agencies and the government are using invalid science for social control rather than addressing the decline of families, schools, and communities as well as escalating racism and poverty. In 1992, Dr. Peter Breggin and Ginger Ross inspired a national campaign against the proposed federal "Violence Initiative", which was aimed at identifying inner-city children with alleged defects that were said to make them more violent when they reach adulthood.

The Antidepressant Fact Book - Peter Breggin 2009-04-20

Known as "the Ralph Nader of psychiatry," Dr. Peter Breggin has been the medical expert in countless court cases involving the use or misuse of psychoactive medications. This unusual position has given him unprecedented access to private pharmaceutical research and correspondence files, information from which informs this straight-talking guide to the most prescribed and controversial category of American drugs: antidepressants. From how these drugs work in the brain to how they treat (or don't treat) depression and obsessive-compulsive, panic, and other disorders; from the documented side and withdrawal effects to what every parent needs to know about antidepressants and teenagers, The Anti-Depressant Fact Book is up-to-the minute and easy-to-access. Hard-hitting and enlightening, every current, former, and prospective antidepressant-user will want to read this book.

Brain-disabling Treatments in Psychiatry - Peter Roger Breggin 1997

Beyond Conflict - Peter R. Breggin 1995-01-15

An explanation of the common principles of conflict resolution on every level discusses self-help, psychotherapy, and family therapy and discloses the impact and origins of guilt and anxiety.

A Mind for Murder - Alston Chase 2004

An interpretation of the Unabomber case projects Ted Kaczynski's life against a backdrop of the Cold War, emerging from an unhappy adolescence to attend Harvard University, where he first adopted the ideas that would lead to his violent behavior. Originally published as Harvard and the Unabomber. Reprint. 15,000 first printing.

Doctors of Deception - Linda Andre 2009-02-04

Mechanisms and standards exist to safeguard the health and welfare of the patient, but for electroconvulsive therapy (ECT)—used to treat depression and other mental illnesses—such approval methods have failed. Prescribed to thousands over the years, public relations as opposed to medical trials have paved the way for this popular yet dangerous and controversial treatment option. Doctors of Deception is a revealing history of ECT (or shock therapy) in the United States, told here for the first time. Through the examination of court records, medical data, FDA reports, industry claims, her own experience as a patient of shock therapy, and the stories of others, Andre exposes tactics used by the industry to promote ECT as a responsible treatment when all the scientific evidence suggested otherwise. As early as the 1940s, scientific literature began reporting incidences of human and animal brain damage resulting from ECT. Despite practitioner modifications, deleterious effects on memory and cognition persisted. Rather than discontinue use of ECT, the \$5-billion-per-year shock industry crafted a public relations campaign to improve ECT's image. During the 1970s and 1980s, psychiatry's PR efforts misled the government, the public, and the media into believing that ECT had made a comeback and was safe. Andre carefully intertwines stories of ECT survivors and activists with legal, ethical, and scientific arguments to address issues of patient rights and psychiatric treatment. Echoing current debates about the use of psychopharmaceutical interventions shown to have debilitating side-effects, she candidly presents ECT as a problematic therapy demanding greater scrutiny, tighter control, and full disclosure about its long-term cognitive effects.

Medication Madness - Peter Roger Breggin 2009-05-26

Reveals potential links between psychiatric medication and dangerous abnormal behaviors including suicide, emotional breakdowns, and violent acts; in a cautionary guide that argues that patients are rendered unaware of their mental deteriorations and have become victims of the medical establishment. Reprint.

Talking Back to Prozac - Peter R. Breggin 2014-04-01

A psychiatrist takes a critical look at this SSRI and newer medications that are among the most frequently prescribed drugs in America. Prozac. Millions of Americans are on it. And just about everyone else is wondering if they should be on it, too. The claims of the pro-Prozac chorus are enticing: that it can cure everything from depression (the only disorder for which Prozac was originally approved) to fear of public speaking, PMS, obesity, shyness, migraine, and back pain—with few or no side effects. But is the reality quite different? At what price do we buy Prozac-induced euphoria and a shiny new personality? Psychiatrist Peter Breggin, MD, and coauthor Ginger Ross Breggin answer these and other crucial questions in Talking Back to Prozac. They explain what Prozac is and how it works, and they take a hard look at the real story behind today's most controversial drug: The fact that Prozac was tested in trials of four to six weeks in length before receiving FDA approval The difficulty Prozac's manufacturer had in proving its effectiveness during these tests The information on side effects that the FDA failed to include in its final labeling requirements How Prozac acts as a stimulant not unlike the addictive drugs cocaine and amphetamine The dangers of possible Prozac addiction and abuse The seriousness and frequency of Prozac's side effects, including agitation, insomnia, nausea, diarrhea, loss of libido, and difficulty reaching orgasm The growing evidence that Prozac can cause violence and suicide The social and workplace implications of using the drug not to cure depression but to change personality and enhance performance Using dramatic case histories as well as scientific research and carefully documented evidence, the Breggins expose the potentially damaging effects of Prozac. They also describe the resounding success that has been achieved

with more humane alternatives for the treatment of depression. Talking Back to Prozac provides essential information for anyone who takes Prozac or is considering taking it, and for those who prescribe it.

The Psychology of Freedom - Peter Roger Breggin 1980

"Selected bibliography of the author": pages 240-242.

Heart of Being Helpful - Peter R. Breggin 2006-04-28

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Operation Beautiful - Caitlin Boyle 2010-08-03

An empowering book with photos, notes, and true stories about an underground campaign to recognize the true beauty within every woman. Tired of watching women pick themselves apart in front of the mirror, blogger Caitlin Boyle scribbled a note on a Post-it: "YOU ARE BEAUTIFUL!" and slapped it on the mirror of a public bathroom. With one small act, she kick-started a movement. In a matter of days, women were undertaking their own feats of resistance, posting uplifting notes on gym lockers, diet shakes in supermarkets, weight-loss guides in bookstores, and anywhere else a nagging voice of self-criticism might lurk. Emboldening and contagious, the "operation" has attracted widespread attention from the media, including the New York Daily News and salon.com. Operation Beautiful showcases the notes women have posted around the world and the stories behind them, along with interviews, interesting research findings, and tips for improving one's outlook on life. Blending a confessional tone with gutsy observations about redefining beauty, the chapters address key issues for women of all ages, including Fighting Fat Talk, Family and Friends, Food, Fitness, Faith, and Going Forward. In the scrapbook tradition of PostSecret and Davy Rothbart's Found, Operation Beautiful is filled with black-and-white photos and a two-color design, making it the perfect gift for any friend, sister, daughter, or niece. Watch a Video

Reclaiming Our Children - Peter Breggin 2000-01-06

Recommends a program of social and educational changes for improving the relationships between children and adults and reducing violence in children

Dimensions of Empathic Theory - Peter R. Breggin, MD 2002

This contribution to the helping professions delves into empathy as a cornerstone of personal life as well as professional practice. Contributors from various mental health disciplines discuss such themes as the interrelationship of empathy with love, self-awareness, and self transformation. Highlights include the application of specific techniques and descriptions of innovative models of an empathic approach to therapy and training. (Midwest).

[Recovery and Renewal](#) - Baylissa Frederick 2014-05-21

This easy-to-read, inspirational and supportive guide is essential reading for anyone struggling to overcome prescription drug dependency. Drawn from the author's personal knowledge of coming off benzodiazepine tranquilisers and her experience as a counsellor, this book explores everything you need to know before, during and after withdrawal, from how to recognise the symptoms to how to manage them and make firm steps towards recovery. With a focus on recovery and empowerment, it provides all the practical and emotional support needed to help you cope and regain control. This book will be a lifeline for anyone taking or withdrawing from sleeping pills, other benzodiazepine tranquilisers and antidepressants. It will also equip family and friends to offer support and provide counsellors, psychotherapists, complementary therapists and other health professionals with invaluable insight critical to providing best care.

Wow, I'm an American - Peter R. Breggin 2009-09-01

In a bold new approach to the lives of the Founding Fathers and the principles they embraced, Breggin shows how the same ideals that inspired the American Revolution and the Declaration of Independence can motivate and guide people today to live happier and more satisfying lives.

[Psychiatric Drug Withdrawal](#) - Peter R. Breggin, MD 2012-07-19

This is the first book to establish guidelines and to assist prescribers and therapists in withdrawing their patients from psychiatric drugs, including those patients with long-term exposure to antipsychotic drugs, benzodiazepines, stimulants, antidepressants, and mood stabilizers. It describes a method developed by the author throughout years of clinical experience, consultations with experienced colleagues, and scientific research. Based on a person-centered collaborative approach, with patients as partners, this method builds on a cooperative and empathic team effort involving prescribers, therapists, patients, and their families or

support network. The author, known for such books as Talking Back to Prozac, Toxic Psychiatry, and Medication Madness, is a lifelong reformer and scientist in mental health whose work has brought about significant change in psychiatric practice. This book provides critical information about when to consider psychiatric drug reduction or withdrawal, and how to accomplish it as safely, expeditiously, and comfortably as possible. It offers the theoretical framework underlying this approach along with extensive scientific information, practical advice, and illustrative case studies that will assist practitioners in multiple ways, including in how to: Recognize common and sometimes overlooked adverse drug effects that may require withdrawal Treat emergencies during drug therapy and during withdrawal Determine the first drugs to withdraw during multi-drug therapy Distinguish between withdrawal reactions, newly occurring emotional problems, and recurrence of premedication issues Estimate the length of withdrawal

Medication Madness - Peter R. Breggin, M.D. 2009-05-26

Medications for everything from depression and anxiety to ADHD and insomnia are being prescribed in alarming numbers across the country, but the "cure" is often worse than the original problem. Medication Madness is a fascinating, frightening, and dramatic look at the role that psychiatric medications have played in fifty cases of suicide, murder, and other violent, criminal, and bizarre behaviors. As a psychiatrist who believes in holding people responsible for their conduct, the weight of scientific evidence and years of clinical experience eventually convinced Dr. Breggin that psychiatric drugs frequently cause individuals to lose their judgment and their ability to control their emotions and actions. Medication Madness raises and examines the issues surrounding personal responsibility when behavior seems driven by drug-induced adverse reactions and intoxication. Dr. Breggin personally evaluated the cases in the book in his role as a treating psychiatrist, consultant or medical expert. He interviewed survivors and witnesses, and reviewed extensive medical, occupational, educational and police records. The great majority of individuals lived exemplary lives and committed no criminal or bizarre actions prior to taking the psychiatric medications. Medication Madness reads like a medical thriller, true crime story, and courtroom drama; but it is firmly based in the latest scientific research and dozens of case studies. The lives of the children and adults in these stories, as well as the lives of their families and their victims, were thrown into turmoil and sometimes destroyed by the unanticipated effects of psychiatric drugs. In some cases our entire society was transformed by the tragic outcomes. Many categories of psychiatric drugs can cause potentially horrendous reactions. Prozac, Paxil, Zoloft, Adderall, Ritalin, Concerta, Xanax, lithium, Zyprexa and other psychiatric medications may spellbind patients into believing they are improved when too often they are becoming worse. Psychiatric drugs drive some people into psychosis, mania, depression, suicide, agitation, compulsive violence and loss of self-control without the individuals realizing that their medications have deformed their way of thinking and feeling. This book documents how the FDA, the medical establishment and the pharmaceutical industry have over-sold the value of psychiatric drugs. It serves as a cautionary tale about our reliance on potentially dangerous psychoactive chemicals to relieve our emotional problems and provides a positive approach to taking personal charge of our lives.

Psychiatric Drug Withdrawal - Peter Roger Breggin 2012-07-19

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Talking Back To Ritalin - Peter Breggin 2007-10-10

Millions of children take Ritalin for Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. The drug's manufacturer, Novartis, claims that Ritalin is the "solution" to this widespread problem. But hidden behind the well-oiled public-relations machine is a potentially devastating reality: children are being given a drug that can cause the same bad effects as amphetamine and cocaine, including behavioral disorders, growth suppression, neurological tics, agitation, addiction, and psychosis. Talking Back to Ritalin uncovers these and other startling facts and translates the research findings for parents and doctors alike. An advocate for education not medication, Dr. Breggin empowers parents to channel distracted, disenchanting, and energetic children into powerful, confident, and brilliant members of the family and society.

Humanistic Psychology - David N. Elkins 2009

Elkins, a long-time leading voice in humanistic psychology, presents a compelling case about what is wrong with contemporary psychotherapy and how, through a re-envisioned humanistic psychology, it needs to change.

Humanizing Health Care - Melanie Sears 2010-09-01

The tenets of Nonviolent Communication are applied to a variety of settings, including the workplace, the classroom, and the home, in these booklets on how to resolve conflict peacefully. Illustrative exercises, sample stories, and role-playing activities offer the opportunity for self-evaluation, discovery, and application. Focusing on the language used in the health care system, this manual teaches health care administrators, nurses, physicians, and mental health practitioners how to create lasting, positive improvements to patient care and the workplace environment. Arguing that a crisis within health care is the inability of many professionals to relate to the personal, human dimension of their work, this reference teaches how to counteract the negativity that certain labels, diagnosis, judgments, and analyses can cause and shows how to better integrate a culture of compassion, empathy, and honesty. Readers will also learn an effective framework to reduce health care staff burnout and turnover, create a culture of mentorship and learning, compassionately diffuse "problem patients," and effectively address systemic barriers to care as they arise.

Mad in America - Robert Whitaker 2019-09-10

An updated edition of the classic history of schizophrenia in America, which gives voice to generations of patients who suffered through "cures" that only deepened their suffering and impaired their hope of recovery. Schizophrenics in the United States currently fare worse than patients in the world's poorest countries. In *Mad in America*, medical journalist Robert Whitaker argues that modern treatments for the severely mentally ill are just old medicine in new bottles, and that we as a society are deeply deluded about their efficacy. The widespread use of lobotomies in the 1920s and 1930s gave way in the 1950s to electroshock and a wave of new drugs. In what is perhaps Whitaker's most damning revelation, *Mad in America* examines how drug companies in the 1980s and 1990s skewed their studies to prove that new antipsychotic drugs were more effective than the old, while keeping patients in the dark about dangerous side effects. A haunting, deeply compassionate book -- updated with a new introduction and prologue bringing in the latest medical treatments and trends -- *Mad in America* raises important questions about our obligations to the mad, the meaning of "insanity," and what we value most about the human mind.

Favorite Counseling and Therapy Techniques, Second Edition - Howard G. Rosenthal 2011-01-19

In the new edition of this highly popular book, Howard Rosenthal once again brings together a group of prominent therapists who share their insightful, pioneering, and favorite therapeutic techniques. These therapists include such well-known figures as Albert Ellis, Arnold Lazarus, William Glasser, Raymond Corsini, and Allen E. Ivey. Many of the classic entries in the previous edition are once again included, some unaltered and others updated, while several new chapters have been added to reflect the newest advancements in the counseling field. For practitioners wondering what methods to use when working with clients and what they can prescribe for them between sessions, or for those who simply are interested in gaining insight into the thoughts and minds of such eminent therapists, the more than 50 entries in this text are sure to be both highly useful and exciting reads.

Death Grip - Matt Samet 2013-02-12

Death Grip chronicles a top climber's near-fatal struggle with anxiety and depression, and his nightmarish journey through the dangerous world of prescription drugs. Matt Samet lived to climb, and craved the challenge, risk, and exhilaration of conquering sheer rock faces around the United States and

internationally. But Samet's depression, compounded by the extreme diet and fitness practices of climbers, led him to seek professional help. He entered the murky, inescapable world of psychiatric medicine, where he developed a dangerous addiction to prescribed medications—primarily "benzos," or benzodiazepines—that landed him in institutions and nearly killed him. With dramatic storytelling, persuasive research data, and searing honesty, Matt Samet reveals the hidden epidemic of benzo addiction, which some have suggested can be harder to quit than heroin. Millions of adults and teenagers are prescribed these drugs, but few understand how addictive they are—and how dangerous long-term usage can be, even when prescribed by doctors. After a difficult struggle with addiction, Samet slowly makes his way to a life in recovery through perseverance and a deep love of rock climbing. Conveying both the exhilaration of climbing in the wilderness and the utter madness of addiction, *Death Grip* is a powerful and revelatory memoir.

Deprescribing in Psychiatry - Swapnil Gupta 2019

The current state of medicine has witnessed the long-term adverse effects of certain medications, an increased rate of polypharmacy, and a cultural shift that emphasizes patient-centered practice. The term "deprescribing" refers to the optimization of the pharmacological regimen by reducing or ceasing medications that incur more risks than benefits. Many people consider stopping their psychiatric medications, but prescribers may not know how to do this in a collaborative, systematic way. *Deprescribing in Psychiatry* presents a framework for deprescribing to guide the prescriber-patient dyad through the process of deciding if and when to reduce psychiatric medication, how to go about doing it, and at the same time, acknowledge the inherent risks in such an endeavour. As the first book on the subject, *Deprescribing in Psychiatry* stands to serve as a definitive text in this burgeoning field and as a 'rallying call' to raise crucial and topical questions in psychiatric practice, promote innovation, and act as a resource on the current state-of-the-art care. It describes the ins and outs of how clinicians can work closely with their patients to consider whether or not to try decreasing medications. It also discusses the anticipated future research directions, considerations for the field, and emphasizes collaboration with the patient, transparency, and the acknowledgement of uncertainty in psychiatric practice.

Toxic Psychiatry - Peter R. Breggin, M.D. 2015-12-22

Prozac, Xanax, Halcion, Haldol, Lithium. These psychiatric drugs--and dozens of other short-term "solutions"--are being prescribed by doctors across the country as a quick antidote to depression, panic disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and other psychiatric problems. But at what cost? In this searing, myth-shattering exposé, psychiatrist Peter R. Breggin, M.D., breaks through the hype and false promises surrounding the "New Psychiatry" and shows how dangerous, even potentially brain-damaging, many of its drugs and treatments are. He asserts that: psychiatric drugs are spreading an epidemic of long-term brain damage; mental "illnesses" like schizophrenia, depression, and anxiety disorder have never been proven to be genetic or even physical in origin, but are under the jurisdiction of medical doctors; millions of schoolchildren, housewives, elderly people, and others are labeled with medical diagnoses and treated with authoritarian interventions, rather than being patiently listened to, understood, and helped. *Toxic Psychiatry* sounds a passionate, much-needed wake-up call for everyone who plays a part, active or passive, in America's ever-increasing dependence on harmful psychiatric drugs.

Attachment Play - Aletha Jauch Solter 2013