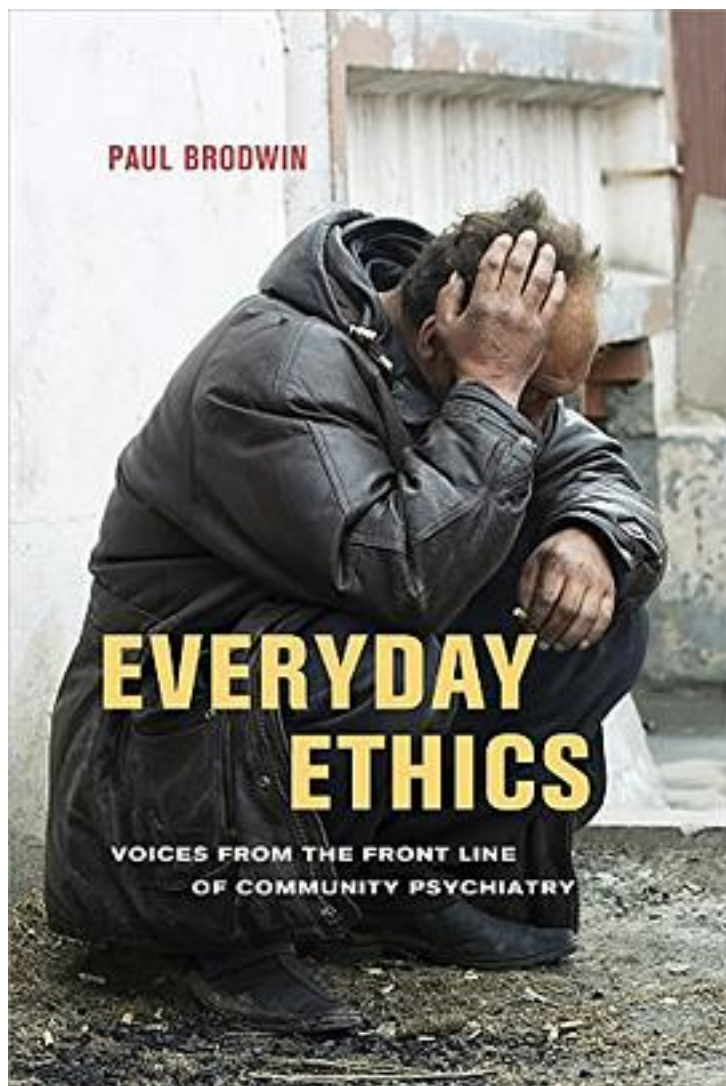


Everyday Ethics



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This book explores the moral lives of mental health clinicians serving the most marginalized individuals in the US healthcare system. Drawing on years of fieldwork in a community psychiatry outreach team, Brodwin traces the ethical dilemmas and everyday struggles of front line providers. On the street, in staff room debates, or in private confessions, these psychiatrists and social workers confront ongoing challenges to their self-image as competent and compassionate advocates. At times they openly question the coercion and forced-dependency built into the current system of care. At other times they justify their use of extreme power in the face of loud opposition from clients. This in-depth study exposes the fault lines in today's community psychiatry. It shows how people working deep inside the system struggle to maintain their ideals and manage a chronic sense of futility. Their commentaries about the obligatory and the forbidden also suggest ways to bridge formal bioethics and the realities of mental health practice. The experiences of these clinicians pose a single overarching question: how should we bear responsibility for the most vulnerable among us?

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每个章节水平参差不齐的，中间几个chapter写的不错

医学人类学关于精神病院体制和护工的民族志。

关于精神病人的护工，主要还是在探讨体制问题。护工所要遵循的规范常常会和他们实际生活中遇到的情况相冲突，但他们没有什么权力去修正规范，这个工作都是精神病学家的。护工从现实中得到的实际知识和精神病学家的理论知识常常发生冲突，最终他们需要在规范和实际情况的双重压力下做出折衷的抉择。护工也没有权力让不让病人住院或出院。但在精神病人这个问题上不同于其他问题，他们病情常常反复，有时候需要采取强制措施让他们住院或治疗，还需要替他们行使部分权利，他们会因为痛苦而拒斥，护工也因为他们的痛苦甚至去世而为难而悲伤，但他们没有任何办法去解决，也会觉得自己的工作根本没有意义。

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