

# Family Communication: Cohesion and Change



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Card catalog description "The first text to examine the functional family from a communication perspective, Family Communication: Cohesion and Change looks at the range of communication patterns exhibited by families. Family Communication emphasizes the enormous diversity of families today in terms of both structure and cultural heritage. It is also the only text to provide students with a consistent framework for analyzing the patterns of interaction within families. First-person stories from real people throughout the text help students to relate concepts and research to everyday life and to see how course material can be applied to their own lives."--BOOK JACKET. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title. From the Back Cover Family Communication examines the communication processes within families and how they affect and are affected by larger social systems. By viewing the

family as a communication system with identifiable patterns, this text encourages students to analyze family interaction patterns analytically and thoroughly. Using a framework of family functions, first-person narratives, and current research, Family Communication emphasizes the diversity of today's families in terms of structure, ethnic patterns, and developmental experiences. New to the 6th Edition: Reflects increasingly diverse family experiences while maintaining a strong focus on patterns and systems of the traditional family. Incorporates information on "alternative" families throughout the text, eliminating the perception that there is a "right" type of family. Includes a new chapter on "Power, Influence, and Decision Making," which discusses new research on influence strategies in families and provides students with the latest information on a growing area of the field. Adds new information on religion, economics, jealousy, abuse, and multigenerational families to provide students with more thorough coverage of different family structures and to address the "dark side" of family communication, thereby addressing the most common issues and current trends in the field today. Expands discussion of relational maintenance in keeping with the current literature in the field (Ch. 6). --This text refers to the Paperback edition.

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