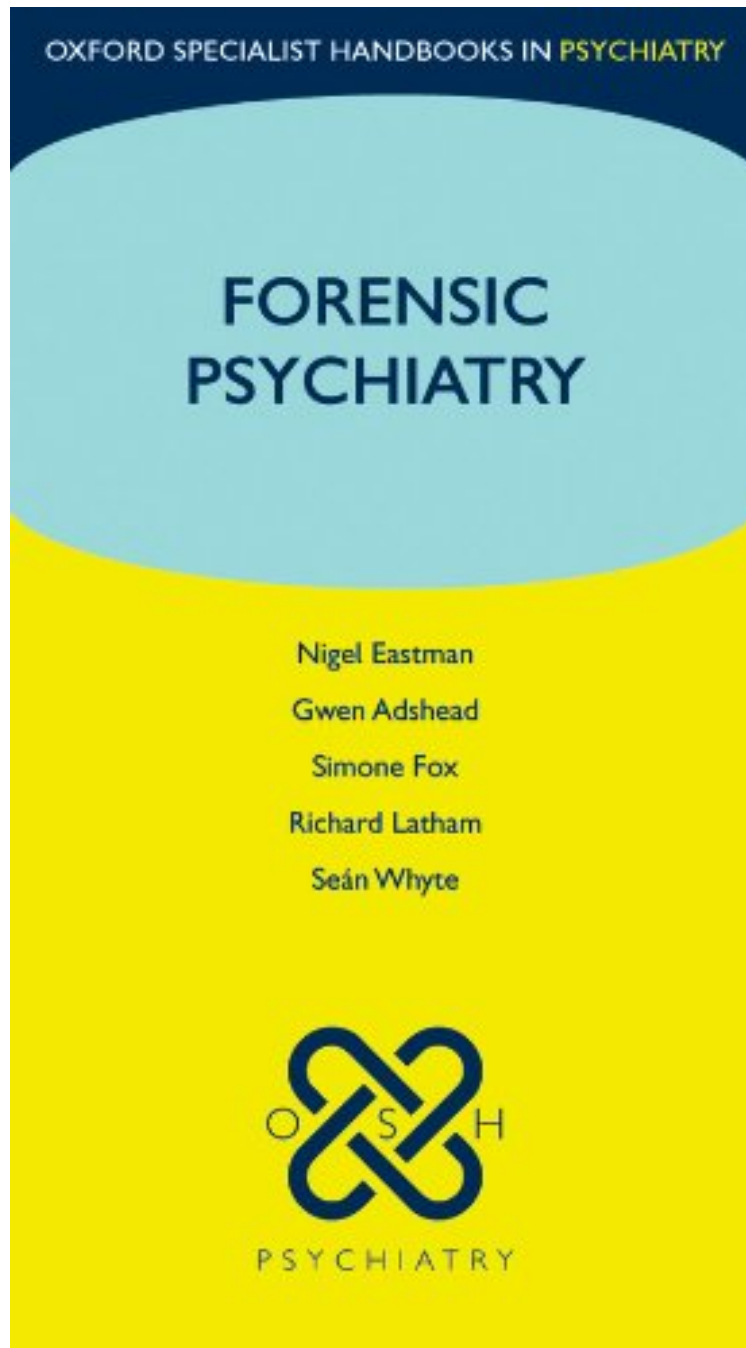


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Forensic Psychiatry is the first book to cover the clinical, legal and ethical issues for the treatment of mentally disordered offenders for all of the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland jurisdictions. Written by an expert interdisciplinary team from the fields of both law and psychiatry, including the eminent Nigel Eastman who has engaged with many high-profile legal cases, this is a comprehensive and up-to-date guide which includes clinical observations, guidance and ethical advice across the psychiatric discipline.Uniquely focusing on the interface between psychiatry and law and including suggestions, using case examples, on how to navigate this interface successfully, this book contains clear guidance on all aspects of forensic psychiatry, for both mental health and legal professionals. It also contains extensive cross-referencing which allows the reader to access all the relevant clinical, legal and ethical information quickly and effectively.Alongside the practical advice on managing clinical and legal situations, there are also case examples, summaries of relevant legislation and introductions to different ethical approaches and clinical observations, derived from the experience of the authors. Also included are brief summaries of important legal cases and inquiries relevant to the subject.

The expertise of Professor Nigel Eastman and his co-authors need no emphasis from me. This handbook will undoubtedly be of great benefit to all those whose professional life takes them into the Court of Protection. Part IV gives an admirably clear guide to help non lawyers understand our various justice systems, both as to law and procedure. The clarity of this section and the absence of technical language offers real encouragement to the newcomer. The introduction to case law within the appendices is particularly useful for its compression to the single relevant significance of each of the well selected cases. * Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Thorpe, Head of International Family Justice for England Wales * The relationship between criminal law and mental disorder is not one-dimensional nor is it by any means fixed. The great skill of the authors, all leaders in their field, is to bring the two disciplines together in one text and explain the relationship in a practical and effective manner consistent with their stated aim of enabling readers to find out key facts and issues within a given topic simply, rapidly, and in an easily digestible form. Given the breadth of coverage, the complexities of the issues and fact-sensitive nature of the relationship between law and psychiatry, that is an incredible achievement. This handbook is an invaluable must, not only for those lawyers and clinicians working at the interface between law and psychiatry, but also to anyone interested in understanding how our

society approaches some of the most difficult and testing examples of mental disorder and offending behaviour. * Mr Keir Starmer QC * If it is indeed the case -as Eastman and colleagues claim, that 'The law asks questions that science cannot answer and science answers questions that the law does not ask...'; then practitioners needs a sophisticated navigational aid to guide them in treacherous waters. Forensic Psychiatry provides such guidance. A careful reading of its content will enable the practitioner to progress unscathed through this minefield of conflicting paradigms and constructs. Encyclopaedic in its scope, thorough and fair-minded in its analysis, it sets the standard against which other texts in its field will be judged in the future. * Conor Duggan, Emeritus Professor of Forensic Mental Health, University of Nottingham, UK * I learnt something from every page I read, either about psychiatry and mental disorder or about how experienced mental health professionals perceive the workings of the law relating to their field. The book is well written and clearly set out, with useful vignettes illustrating the points being made. The knowledge, wisdom and humanity of the authors shine through the book and make it a real pleasure, as well as an education, to read. * Lucy Scott-Moncrieff, President Elect of the Law Society * Distinguished by its thoroughness and clarity, this superb handbook guides practitioners through the sometimes miasmatic overlap between psychiatry and law. * Phillip Taylor MBE and Elizabeth Taylor, Richmond Green Chambers * This is a wonderful book and I was not disappointed. I wish it had been available when I started my training in forensic psychiatry but I will use it frequently in the future. Every forensic psychiatry trainee (and many others besides) should own a copy. * The Psychiatrist, Nov 2012 *About the Author Nigel Eastman is Professor of Law and Ethics in Psychiatry at St George's, University of London and an Honorary Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist in the NHS, assessing and treating patients in medium security. Dually qualified as a doctor and barrister, he has researched and published widely on law and ethics relating to mental disorder and mental healthcare, as well as on policy and services for mentally disordered offenders. He is an advisor to the Law Commission, lectures for the Judicial Studies Board for England and Wales, as well as to judges in other jurisdictions, and has given evidence to Parliamentary Select Committees on law and psychiatry. Gwen Adshead is a forensic psychiatrist and psychotherapist. She trained at Barts and then at St George's Hospital. After four years as a lecturer at the Institute of Psychiatry, she trained as a psychotherapist, with particular interest in attachment theory and groupwork in forensic settings. She qualified as a member of the Institute of Group Analysis in 2000. She has worked at Broadmoor Hospital since 1998 as a consultant. Since qualifying in clinical psychology in 2001 Simone Fox worked for three years with adult mentally disordered offenders in a Regional Secure Unit in West London. She currently works in both clinical and academic settings. In her clinical role she is responsible for supervising the Multisystemic Therapy (MST) Pilot Project in Merton and Kingston. Her academic role is as a lecturer/clinical tutor on the Royal Holloway, University of London, Clinical Psychology training course. Richard Latham is a consultant forensic psychiatrist working in East London. He has a special interest in law and psychiatry. His clinical practice is in both medium secure care and community forensic psychiatry. He is currently involved in a pilot project of crown court psychiatric liaison. Sean Whyte is a Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist with CCTs in both general adult and forensic psychiatry. He has worked in a variety of hospital, community and secure institutional settings in both specialties and now leads the Community Forensic Team for South-West London, in addition to teaching and court work.