

Risk Management

Clinical, Ethical, & Legal Guidelines for Successful Practice

(Second Edition)

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For those already in practice or for students who will become practitioners, the revised and expanded second edition of this practical guide addresses ethics from a risk-management perspective. With the idea that it is easier to avoid an ethics complaint than it is to defend one, Dr. Doverspike presents some basic common sense principles. Incorporating these principles into your practice patterns can offer you a greater degree of protection while offering your clients a higher standard of care. This edition also includes a CD-ROM with **57 reproducible practice forms** along with a Powerpoint® file containing slides that provide an outline of the chapters. These can be used to print handouts and create presentations for use in the classroom and in ethics seminars. The files may be easily modified by the user to suit his or her instructional needs.

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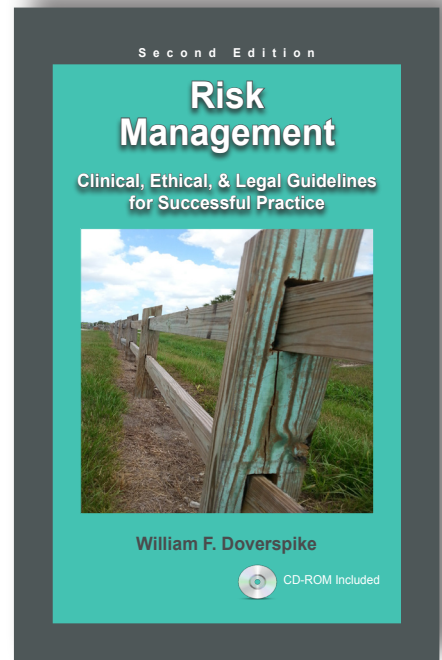
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