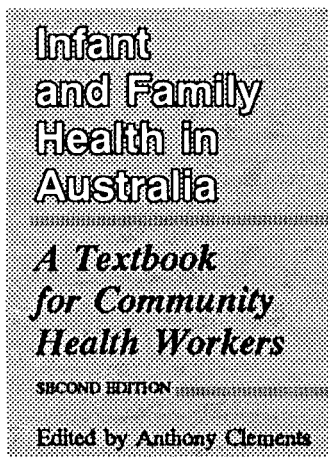


Recommended Books...



Infant and Family Health in Australia, 2ND EDITION,
edited by Anthony Clements. Melbourne: Churchill Livingstone, 1992

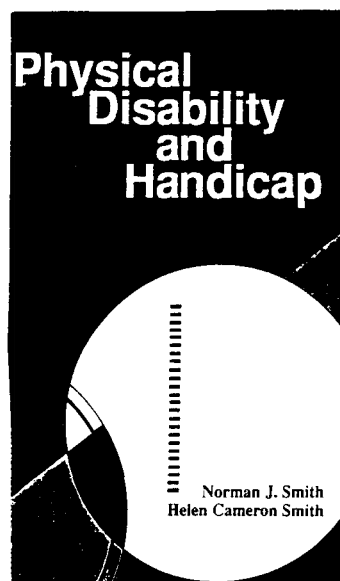
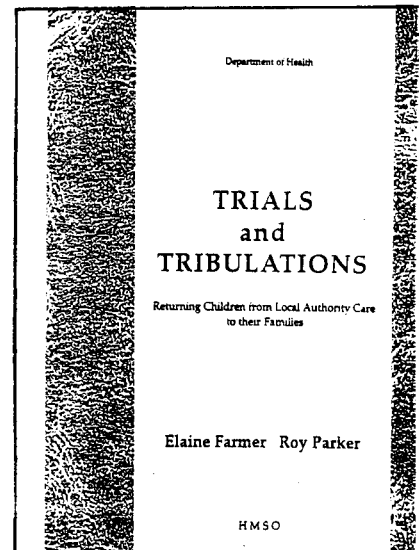
This book is about infant health within the context of families, society and community care, and covers 'everyday' important issues such as pregnancy and normal development, nutrition, common disorders of infancy and childhood, immunisation, dental health and accident prevention. Family planning, children with a disability, genetic counselling, parenting skills and child abuse are also discussed and emphasis is placed on understanding the family and family functions.

This completely revised and updated 2nd edition includes separate chapters on the child in hospital, children in day care and Aboriginal and multi-ethnic health – reflecting social change and the ensuing responses and responsibilities.

Trials and Tribulations : Returning Children from Local Authority Care to their Families,
by Elaine Farmer and Roy Parker. London: HMSO, 1991

What happens to children who are restored to their families 'on trial' from local authority care? Are some of these children still at considerable risk of abuse or neglect?

This report presents the results of the first large-scale British nationwide study of children returned to their families after compulsory removal through the courts. It traces the decisions that led to the return of 300 children and the developments, practices and outcomes for them during a two-year follow-up period. Some of the children in question remain at risk once back with their families but for others, the return home is successful. The research presented here begins to unravel the factors which differentiate between these outcomes, providing social workers and policy-makers with valuable guidance on the difficult decisions to be made in this area.



Physical Disability and Handicap : A Social Work Approach,
by Norman J. Smith & Helen Cameron Smith.
 Melbourne: Longman Cheshire, 1991

There is a growing awareness in today's society of the need to provide as many opportunities as possible for disabled people to lead full and rewarding lives. Social workers are increasingly being called upon to play a major role in this process. They require specialised knowledge and skills to work in the field of physical disability, and it is also vital that they are aware of the implications of their work.

This is the first Australian book to deal with this area of social work practice. It examines the general context of social work with disabled people, both in theoretical and practical terms, before providing a framework for practice. It then looks in more detail at the major categories of disability arising from functional, sensory and locomotor impairments. The book concludes with a discussion about disabilities in children and an examination of the ways society creates handicaps for disabled people.