Reviews for

Family Violence
Explanations and Evidence-Based Clinical Practice

David M. Lawson

“David Lawson presents a clearly written, well-organized, and fascinating review of current treatments for victims and perpetrators of family violence. This book will have universal appeal to students as well as to those already in practice. In addition, family violence scholars can breathe a ‘sigh of relief’ that someone has provided a scientific overview of counseling methods and their effectiveness at last. Dr. Lawson’s expertise is noteworthy, and this book makes a vital contribution to the field.”

—Ola Barnett, PhD
Author, Family Violence Across the Lifespan
Distinguished Professor Emerita, Pepperdine University

Counselors-in-training, educators, and clinicians will benefit greatly from this in-depth and thought-provoking look at family violence, its effects, and treatment options. This book examines the major issues and current controversies in the field, provides background information on each type of family violence, and offers strategies for combating domestic abuse. In an informative discussion designed to enhance counselors’ ability to assess and treat each type of family violence, Dr. Lawson covers both well-recognized forms of maltreatment, such as the abuse of women and children, and less understood issues, such as female-on-male intimacy violence, parent and elder abuse, same-sex violence, and dating violence and stalking. Case studies throughout the text illustrate clinical applications in action, and recommended readings are provided for further study.