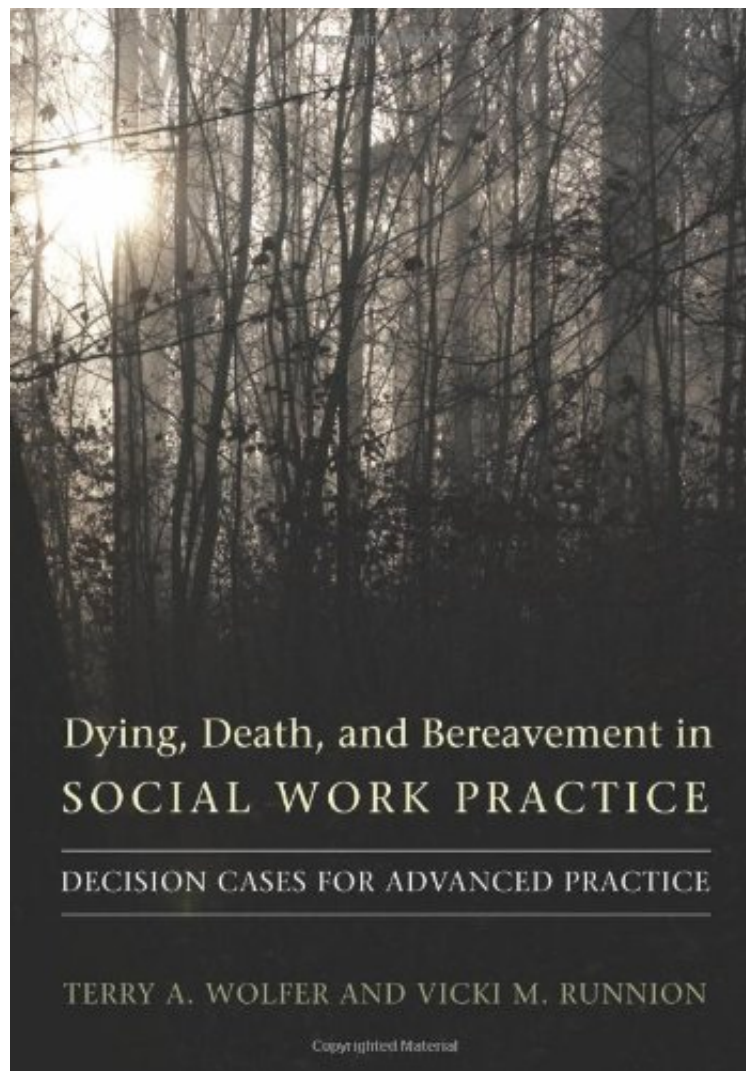


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than from what I was expecting. I was looking for a little more "advanced" clinical information for a professional in the field. I imagine that this is geared towards the academic setting to use with students, and it would be a great resource for that type of setting. If you are a professional in the field, then this would not be something you could take and use yourself as part of your own professional development. It has case studies that are more geared towards discussing and thinking about what took place. I will give it 5 stars as a book that would be excellent to use with students, or even to use as a discussion piece with a group of professionals. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I glad I bought this By Princess Interesting book for those studying Social Work, I glad I bought this.

Practitioners who work with clients at the end of their lives face difficult decisions concerning the client's self-determination, the kind of death he or she will have, and the prolongation of life. They must also remain sensitive to the beliefs and needs of family members and the legal, ethical, and spiritual ramifications of the client's death. Featuring twenty-three decision cases based on interviews with professional social workers, this unique volume allows students to wrestle with the often incomplete and conflicting information, ethical issues, and time constraints of actual cases. Instead of offering easy solutions, this book provides detailed accounts that provoke stimulating debates among students, enabling them to confront their own responses, beliefs, and uncertainties to hone their critical thinking and decision making skills for professional practice. *Please note: Teaching Notes for this volume will be available from Electronic Hallway in Spring 2010. To access the Teaching Notes, you must first become a member of the Electronic Hallway. The main Electronic Hallway web page is at <https://hallway.org/index.php>. To join, click Become a Hallway Member in the Get Involved category or point your browser directly to <https://hallway.org/involved/join.php> and provide the required information. After your instructor status has been confirmed, you will receive an e-mail granting access to the Electronic Hallway. Once logged on to Electronic Hallway as a member, click Case Search in the Cases and Resources category on the main web page. Enter "death, dying, bereavement" (without the quotation marks) in the search box, select "all of the words" in the drop down menu, and click Submit. The search process will generate a list of Teaching Notes for cases from Dying, Death, and Bereavement in Social Work Practice: Decision Cases for Advanced Practice.

I know of no other work that provides such carefully detailed accounts of real life practice scenarios. The role of social workers and the dilemmas they face are illustrated beautifully across a variety of contexts. This volume serves as a valuable reference for all educators, students, and professionals seeking to understand the complexities of end-of-life care. (Betty J. Kramer, University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Social Work) A significant contribution. Faculty and students will appreciate having 'real life' decision cases that reflect the complexity of practice at end-of-life and during bereavement. (Nancy Hooyman, School of Social Work at the University of Washington) About the Author Terry A. Wolfer is an associate professor of social work at the University of South Carolina and serves on the editorial board of Social Work in End-of-Life and Palliative Care. His research interests include social work education and religion and spirituality in social work practice. Vicki M. Runnion is a social worker at Hospice of Louisville, Kentucky. Employed in end-of-life care since 1980, she also staffs the ethics committee for the Hospice of Louisville and coordinates orientation for new social workers and chaplains. She was previously an adjunct instructor in social work at the University of South Carolina, Columbia College, and the University of Louisville.