

## Practitioner's Guide to the Mental Health Care Act, A

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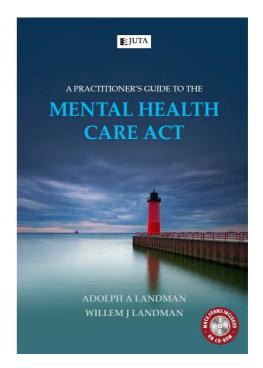
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## **About this Publication:**

A Practitioner's Guide to the Mental Health Care Act explains how the South African mental health system functions for those who implement the Act, those who administer it and those affected by it.

The book outlines and explains how the Mental Health Care Act and its regulations are applied to or administered by assisted users, involuntary users, State patients, the intellectually disabled, mentally ill prisoners, heads of establishments and mental health review boards.

A Practitioner's Guide to the Mental Health Care Act provides ready access to the law on mental health care in the context of the Constitution, case law and international law.

'This book will be an invaluable resource in mental health law in South Africa.' Prof Sean Kaliski, Head of Forensic Psychiatry in the Western Cape.

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## Of Interest and Benefit to:

- Lawyers
- Judges
- Psychiatrists
- Psychologists
- Psychiatric nurses
- Medical schools
- Nursing colleges
- Mental health review boards