Some say mental illness is the last great stigma remaining in our communities. This book is a collection of twenty articles written by researchers, scholars, practitioners of nursing, social work, and community health, and survivors of mental illness and homelessness. Each piece speaks to a specific aspect of the linkages among housing/homelessness, poverty, and mental illness, interconnections that are complex and challenging to understand but essential to our addressing the problems.

Chapters include:
- The soul-destroying search for adequate housing for family members who are mental health survivors
- The impact of de-institutionalization in and the gaps left in services for mental health survivors
- Myths of mental illness and how they affect the popular stigma attached to survivors

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