fundamental psychological concepts and mental illness. There are also sections dealing with neurophysiology, psychopharmacology, genetics and legal aspects of psychiatry. The authors have adopted both the short note, and question and answer forms of presentation—these are lucid and especially valuable for revision work. It is refreshing to find that the more extreme but currently fashionable aspects of psychotherapy are placed firmly in prospective. One omission, which should be rectified, is a failure to provide information about the law in Scotland relating to psychiatric practice.

Despite its clear style this book is not entirely suitable for nurses, social workers and medical ancillary staff as claimed unless the readers have access to more detailed works. Despite these limitations Basic Psychiatry will provide a very useful addition to the bookshelves of those involved in examinations in clinical psychiatry.

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