

Doctors on the edge : will your doctor break the rules for you?

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內容摘要:

This book exposes some of the hardest decisions to be made in a profession in which people's bodies and souls are laid bare. *Doctors on the Edge* is the account of doctors who are faced by wrenching moral dilemmas, uninvited and unexpected dilemmas that are thrust upon them. Law, medicine, and morality-sometimes complementary and sometimes conflicting-intrude on in the daily practice of medicine. In gripping stories that often including life-and-death decisions, doctors maneuver the ambiguities, subjectivity, and essential principles of medical ethics.

Each chapter is a true account of physicians who lied, betrayed confidences, or broke the law to bring about what they believed was best for their patients.

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