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## Psychological groupwork with acute psychiatric inpatients

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This book will be the first to focus exclusively on acute inpatient therapeutic groupwork from a multi-disciplinary perspective. Over 20 authors, all active groupwork practitioners, provide unique insights into the group process.

Writers make the argument for the importance of therapeutic groupwork in acute inpatient settings. They present survey data that show an absence of therapeutic activity on wards and the need for a 'culture of participation', and describes schemes designed to improve the situation, such as the Star Wards initiative. Two authors look the state of research, and suggest how the evidence base might be strengthened.

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