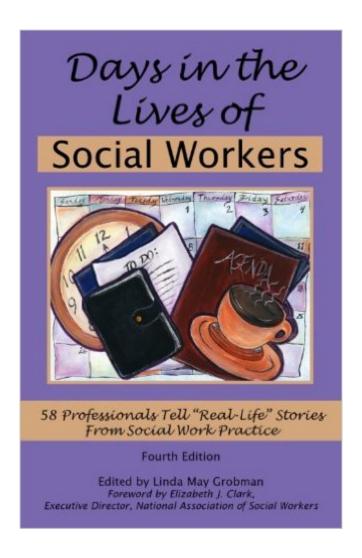
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# Days In The Lives Of Social Workers: 58 Professionals Tell Real-Life Stories From Social Work Practice (4th Edition)





# **Synopsis**

Spend a day with social workers in 58 different settings, and learn about the many career paths available to you. Did you ever wish you could tag along with a professional in your chosen field, just for a day, observing his or her every move? DAYS IN THE LIVES OF SOCIAL WORKERS allows you to take a firsthand, close-up look at the real-life days of 58 professional social workers as they share their stories. Join them on their journeys, and learn about the rewards and challenges they face. This book is an essential guide for anyone who wants an inside look at the social work profession. Whether you are a social work graduate student or undergraduate student, an experienced professional wishing to make a change in career direction, or just thinking about going into the field, you will learn valuable lessons from the experiences described in DAYS IN THE LIVES OF SOCIAL WORKERS. The 4th edition includes four new chapters, a new appendix on social media and mobile apps, and features a foreword by Elizabeth J. Clark, executive director of the National Association of Social Workers. Table of ContentsAbout the Editor/ContributorsForewordIntroduction to the 4th EditionAcknowledgmentsPART 1--HEALTH CARESocial Work in the ERSocial Work in the Neonatal Intensive Care UnitRemembering Why I Became a Social Worker: Lessons Learned on Internal MedicineSocial Work in an Infertility ClinicWorking with Pregnant Women in Public HealthManaging in Managed CareSocial Work in the Commissioned CorpsPART 2--HIV/AIDSPrivate Practice With Urban Gay Men: With a Subspecialty in HIV/AIDSA Very Special Nursing Home in the South BronxPediatric HIV ResearchPART 3--SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKElementary School Social WorkAn Inner-City High SchoolSocial Work in a Rural School DistrictPART 4--CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIESUrban Child Protective Services A Neighborhood Youth Center Play Therapy and Bullying Working with Gay and Lesbian YouthChild Welfare OmbudsmanEmployee Assistance ProgramsSocial Work Goes to Summer CampPART 5--DISABILITIESDevelopmental Disabilities"Us" Becoming "Them"PART 6--MENTAL HEALTHInvoluntary Admission: A New Worker's Introduction to the "603" Partial HospitalizationSocial Work in a ClubhouseLife as a Group Home ManagerDisaster Mental Health ServicesPART 7--SUBSTANCE ABUSEDual Diagnosis: Substance Abuse and Mental Health in an Inpatient SettingSocial Work in the Alaskan BushAdventure-Based PracticePART 8--PRIVATE PRACTICEPrivate Practice and the Eclectic Social WorkerAn Office to Call My Own: Private Practice in the Lesbian CommunityPART 9--CRIMINAL JUSTICE: WORKING WITH OFFENDERS AND VICTIMSPrison Substance Abuse TreatmentA Hard Day's Night: Working with Assaultive Men in PrisonResidential Treatment for Adolescent Sexual OffendersForensic Social Work: Mitigating Death Penalty Cases in a Capital Defense UnitVictim ServicesPART 10--OLDER ADULTS AND

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There are at least one or two other books on the market that address a career in social work. This book is by far the most thorough. As a social work professor, I have shared this book with dozens of students. They have sent their fellow students asking for copies. This book is also excellant for the more mature social work professional who may want to exchange or expand practice settings. The book doesn't contain glossy pictures or fancy tables, but it is written in such a way as to hold the interest of any social worker. The book covers a wide range of information including pros, cons, and

salary ranges for various practice settings. Great resource book for the social work library!

I read this book while I was getting my undergraduate degree for a class. It gave me an entirely new perspective on social workers. I discovered 50 jobs that I could have as a social worker. Most people think that being a social worker means removing children from their homes all day long. This book illustrates other jobs that social workers can do that I had never thought about. This book inspired me to get my MSW because so many of the social workers in the book have their MSW. Days in the Lives of Social Workers is great for anyone who is considering making social work their profession.

I received this book for Christmas and read it cover to cover by the next day. It gives the reader a large variety of social work careers, beyond the stereotypical case worker. It is incredibly well written and easy to read. A must for anyone thinking of pursuing a social work career!!!

This is a must-read for anyone exploring a career in social work. It features stories from professionals in a wide range of fields. Seeing it from their perspective gives you an inside look into the different aspects of social work that you will probably not find anywhere else short of actually talking with a social worker. Many tell of the joys and stresses of their jobs. I was hoping to see more entry-level work featured. However, this book gave me some excellent ideas of possible fields to explore should I decide to venture into this rewarding career.

What do social workers do? Read this book. An excellent idea - my students love it. Highly recommended.

This book is such an amazing peek into different social work careers. I am applying to MSW programs now and I have gleaned so much insight from this book. If you have any interest in social work for any reason I seriously can't recommend this book enough. Buy it!

If you are looking for a book that gives you information about the various specialties in the social work profession, then this is a very good start. I was looking for that and now I have a much clearer view of what areas I may want to study and eventually work.

I enjoy reading this book because it helps me to feel more connected to my profession. It reminds

me why we (social workers) do what we do. It's also an excellent book for undergraduate and graduate social work students because it will provide insight into the many areas within our line of work. Also, if you're undecided about what area of practice you wish to enter, this book may provide you with answers.

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