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- Written by the European expert on family medicine, this book offers theory enforced with practical case studies and reflections

Modern family healthcare is under a lot of pressure, from insecurity when it comes to diagnosis and prescription behavior, to delivering quality assistance while balancing a large number of patients. There is need for reform – but before reform, there must be a vision. Not only for daily healthcare, but also for education – because in education lays the roots for social change. By means of real patient testimonies and examples of daily consultations, this book focuses on family medicine. It pays special attention to the practical side of social determinants, diagnostics and therapy, and surrounding factors. *Family Medicine and Primary Care* emphasizes the importance of qualitative work by general practitioners, correct education, and informed policies. It is a practical guide for high-level family medicine, with input from international experts.

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