Disruptive Behavior, by four Stanford University child and adolescent psychiatrists, is a treasure trove of useful information about these difficult conditions. A real plus is the engaging, first person writing style that holds the reader’s interest far more than most texts. As a forensic child and adolescent psychiatrist, I often see how serious disruptive behaviors can bring youth into contact with the juvenile justice system. This volume’s in-depth exploration of those behaviors will help the reader immensely in assessing delinquents’ needs for treatment, formulating clear treatment plans for youth both in and out of detention, and guiding towards much needed improvements in the systems of care for troubled youth. An extremely valuable resource!

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