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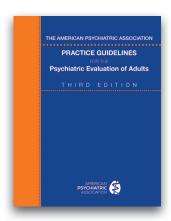
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t has been nearly a half-century since the inaugural edition of *The* Psychiatric Interview in Clinical Practice, and the book's status as a classic was again validated with the second edition a decade ago. This new, third edition maintains the book's reputation with thoroughly updated content that reflects changes brought about by the publication of DSM-5. The book presents the psychiatric interview in the context of the enormous and ongoing progress that has been made in biological and descriptive psychiatry. In addition, the book emphasizes the shift in the social

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