Vulnerable populations typically present with multiple overlapping issues, such as poverty, substance abuse, mental illness, or other health issues that require varying services and treatments. This book provides students and professionals in health care and service delivery with innovative programs and models to address the needs of these vulnerable populations.

This essential text offers new approaches to program design, service delivery, evaluation, and funding. Strategies for introducing these innovations—such as cross-system coordination and blended funding—are described in detail, using real, evidence-based programs from around the country as examples. Experts from across program delivery systems, as well as from academia and government, share their practice experience.