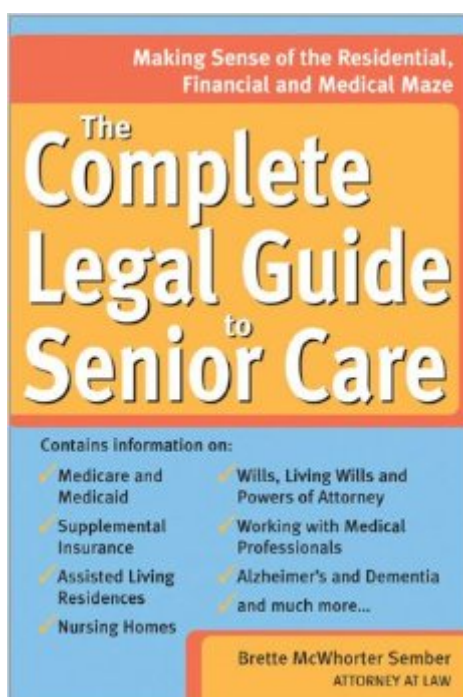


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The Complete Legal Guide To Senior Care: Making Sense Of The Residential, Financial And Medical Maze



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I bought this book because I need to decide where my mother should live. I was surprised at how

much information it had. It helped me think about all the choices. I think we're going to try to work out a way to help her stay at home and the book had lots of really practical stuff about doing that. I understand Medicare and Medicaid now and the differences between the kinds of facilities. I liked the lists and the worksheets that really helped me get organized. The book also helped me think about what I want to do when I get older. I think this is a good book for anyone dealing with an older parent.

This book is well written. It has many details on the intricacies of Medicare, Medicaid, Supplementary Insurance and many complex areas of the health care code. The author explains how to manage a patient from a long distance. This involves developing contacts in order to assist in maintaining the patient while away from home. The author provides a checklist which explains how to evaluate a nursing home for accessibility, cleanliness, order and a host of other important criteria. The work explains the various Long Term Care Insurance Policies and alternatives. This book will help you to craft a patient care plan given the many constraining factors in the existing health care system. i.e. complex regulations, cost, regional differences etc.

I found this book to be a huge asset. It covered every aspect of my parents situation. Most importantly, it was written in language that I could understand. It also spelled out the exact steps necessary to affect required changes. I would recommend this book to anyone who has an aging parent in their care.

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