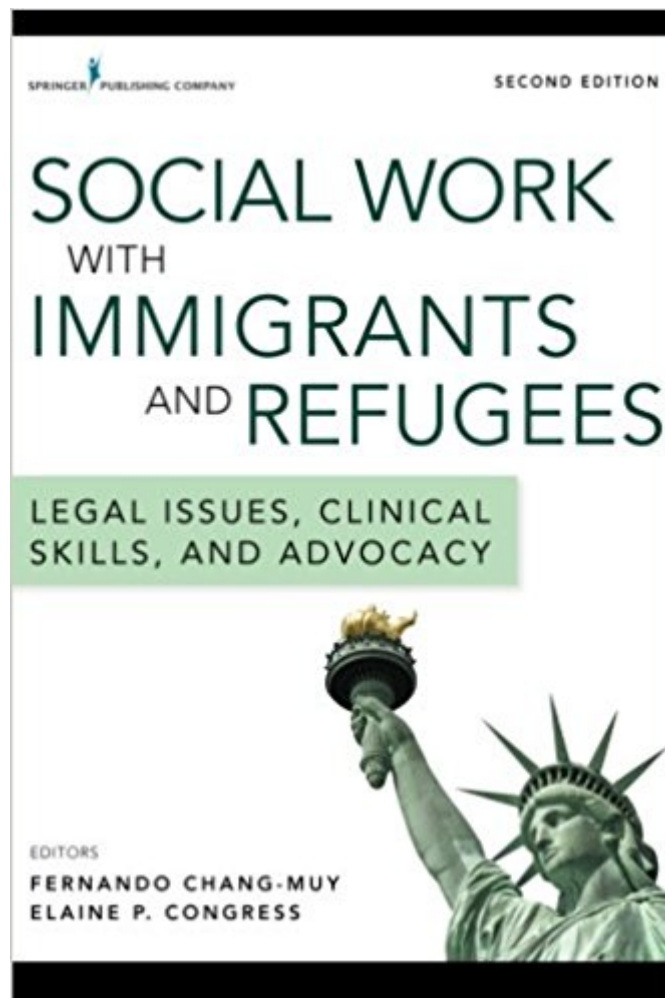




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# **Social Work With Immigrants And Refugees, Second Edition: Legal Issues, Clinical Skills, And Advocacy**



## Synopsis

Praise for the First Edition: "This book is an optimal tool for instructors and students of graduate classes in social work and related disciplines." *Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health* "This book is a major contribution to social workers and their clients as it addresses advocacy on behalf of immigrants and refugees during a social, economic, and political period that restricts immigrants' rights and service access." Dr. Diane Drachman, Associate Professor University of Connecticut School of Social Work "This text is a great tool toward raising awareness of the many issues immigrants face, and helping them find solutions." Frank Sharry, Executive Director, America's Voice The leading textbook on social work with immigrants and refugees, this is the only book to address the intersection of legal, policy, and advocacy issues, in addition to the clinical skills needed to help these populations. This second edition has been updated to reflect key policy changes at the state and federal levels affecting social work with immigrants and refugees. The authors have expanded their coverage of transnationalism, microaggressions, and public health and community issues, and each chapter features updated case studies on the most critical issues immigrants face today: legal processes, physical and mental health issues, employment difficulties, family conflicts, and more. Key Features: Completely updated to reflect the latest developments in immigration law and policy Includes updated case studies, discussion questions, and abundant reference material Provides the multidisciplinary perspective of lawyers, social workers, clinicians, administrators, and academics A valuable asset for students and practitioners working in mental health, health care, education, and community settings All-new appendix features sample questions asked at naturalization interviews

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Elaine P. Congress, DSW, is professor and associate dean at the Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service. She is on the International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) United Nations team and is a member of the executive committee of the NGO (nongovernmental organization) Committee on the United Nations International Decade of the World's Indigenous Peoples. In addition, she serves as the North American representative on the IFSW's Permanent Committee on Ethical Issues. Dr. Congress chairs the Council on Publications for the Council of Social Work Education (CSWE). She is a past president of the New York City (NYC) chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) and a past member of the national NASW board of directors, where she was appointed and served on the NASW Presidential Diversity Initiative Committee on Immigration. Dr. Congress was co-principal investigator on a New York Community Trust-funded immigrant project that included all the NYC schools of social work as well as the NYC Administration for Children's Services (ACS). Dr. Congress has written many publications on cultural diversity and ethics in social work. She is the author/editor of a number of books, including the first edition of *Social Work With Immigrants and Refugees*, and three editions of *Multicultural Perspectives in Working With Families*, published by Springer Publishing Company; *Social Work Values and Ethics*; and two editions of *Teaching Social Work Values and Ethics: A Curriculum Resource*. She has been the editor of a special issue on cultural diversity for the journal *Crisis Intervention and Time-Limited Treatment*. Dr. Congress has authored many journal articles and book chapters on cultural diversity, immigrants, social work ethics, and education. Her recent publications on ethics have focused on comparative ethics in journal articles that compared the NASW Code of Ethics to social work codes in Australia and Korea. Other articles have looked at social work practice with immigrant families in health care settings and group work with immigrant children in urban schools. She has served on the editorial boards of the *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*, *Journal of Social Work Values and Ethics*, *Journal of Cultural and Ethnic Diversity in Social Work*, *Journal of Social Work Education*, *Families in Society*, and *Social Work*. Dr.

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