

This book is the first systematic documentation of the development of a positive youth development program in different Chinese communities. As such, it is pioneering and groundbreaking in nature. The positive youth development constructs covered in the Project P.A.T.H.S. are described in details, which is important because most of the existing packages on positive youth development seldom give sufficient coverage on the conceptual foundation of the program and such negligence has made it difficult for practitioners to appreciate the conceptual bases of the related programs. This book gives a broad and comprehensive coverage of the background, philosophy, design, conceptual underpinning and evaluation of the program.

From the foreword by Hatim A Omar, MD, Professor of Pediatrics and Obstetrics/Gynecology, Director of Adolescent Medicine and Young Parent programs, Kentucky Clinic, University of Kentucky, Lexington, United States: "This is the first time that I actually was unable to find a single article that was not up to par in an entire book. I feel that this will be a great resource for anyone working with adolescents anywhere and am confident that many training programs will add it prominently to their library. I know I will".



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