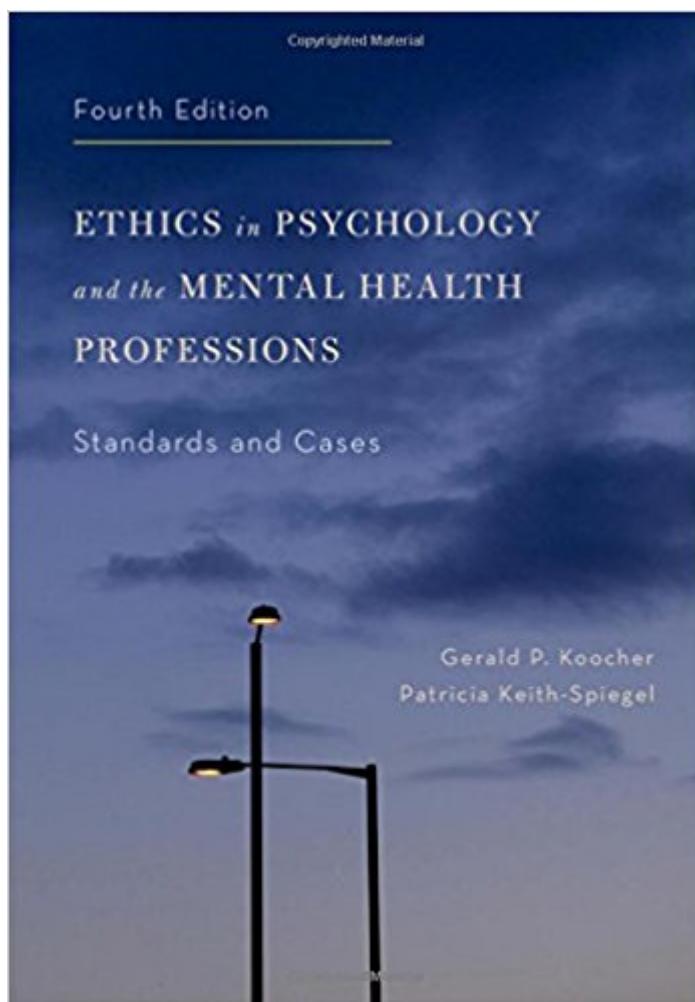


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# Ethics In Psychology And The Mental Health Professions: Standards And Cases



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