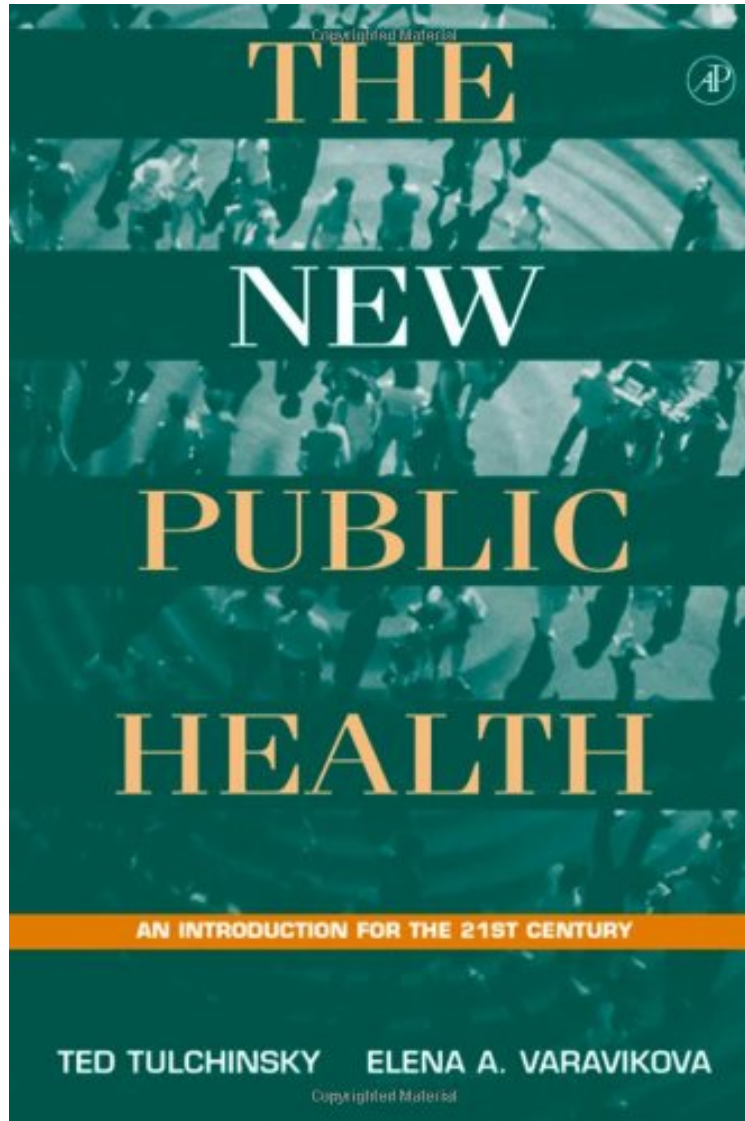


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reader with not only the initial references to carry out an in-depth search, but also with succinct basic arguments that take account the clinical, epidemiological, economic, planning and administrative aspects of public health issues. By having the same two authors for the 16 chapters, the book is able to achieve an integration and cohesion of themes that would be lost if more authors were involved (as is usually the case for a book of this size). The 45 pages on my specialist area "health economics", whilst obviously not achieving the depth or covering the ground of a 250 page textbook, manages to convey the crux of most of the major concepts and issues to the "non-specialist" reader. Overall, the book is clearly written and is amply illustrated with tables and sidebars that act to clarify concepts. While not sacrificing scientific rigor, the book is a tremendous guide as to how to practically manage and improve the health systems and hence the health of a developed/developing nation. 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. A must-read for MPH students and Public Health practitioners

By EDUARDO VILLAMOR MD  
My first contact with a draft copy of "The New Public Health" by Tulchinsky Varavikova occurred when I was a young MPH student. Now, as an epidemiologist (still young!), I appreciate it as the most comprehensive and up-to-date critical review of the main topics that any Public Health practitioner should be familiar with, from a scholar comparison of health systems in various settings, through the many "classical" aspects of public health practice, including maternal and child health, nutrition, environmental issues and infectious diseases. In addition to Public Health specialists, students and practitioners of all health disciplines will also benefit from "The New Public Health", by acquiring the foundations of what the relationship between the individual and the population's health represents. The book is an invitation to Public Health ACTION, through the judicious analysis of historic trends in health and health management, and current epidemiological facts. 8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. An essential resource for the public health student

By Christopher Barnett  
As a student in a combined MD/MPH degree program, the New Public Health is exactly the kind of book I have been looking for. Drs. Tulchinsky and Varavikova have assembled a text that touches on all aspects of public health, from populations at risk to how we pay for health care. The international perspective of their work comes through in discussions of health problems and the struggle for solutions in Russia and Israel. It offers unique insight as well as a fresh and challenging perspective for those who are concerned about the state of the health care delivery system in the US today and in the future. The New Public Health is an essential addition to the collection of any public health student, both as an outstanding quick reference for a specific topic and as a textbook to read cover to cover. Well written, easy to read and understand, it satisfies the need for a comprehensive and up-to-date review of the state of public health worldwide.

Countries around the world are engaged in health reform, which places great demands on health care providers and systems managers. From the managed care revolution in the United States to the rebuilding of health systems in postcommunist Russia, these reforms impact millions of health care workers, government officials, patients, and the public alike. The New Public Health will help students and practitioners understand factors affecting the reform process of health care organization and delivery. It links the classic public health issues such as environmental sanitation, health education, and epidemiology with the new issues of universal health care, economics, and management of health systems for the new century. Provides a comprehensive overview of public health from a global perspective. Assesses health systems models of the United States, Russia, the United Kingdom, Germany, Canada, Scandinavian countries, and developing countries including China, Nigeria, and Colombia. Analyzes critical issues of health economics, including forces associated with escalating costs and the strategies to control those costs. Discusses strategies for dealing with the many ramifications of managed care. Links medicine with the social sciences, technology, and health management issues as they evolve.

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