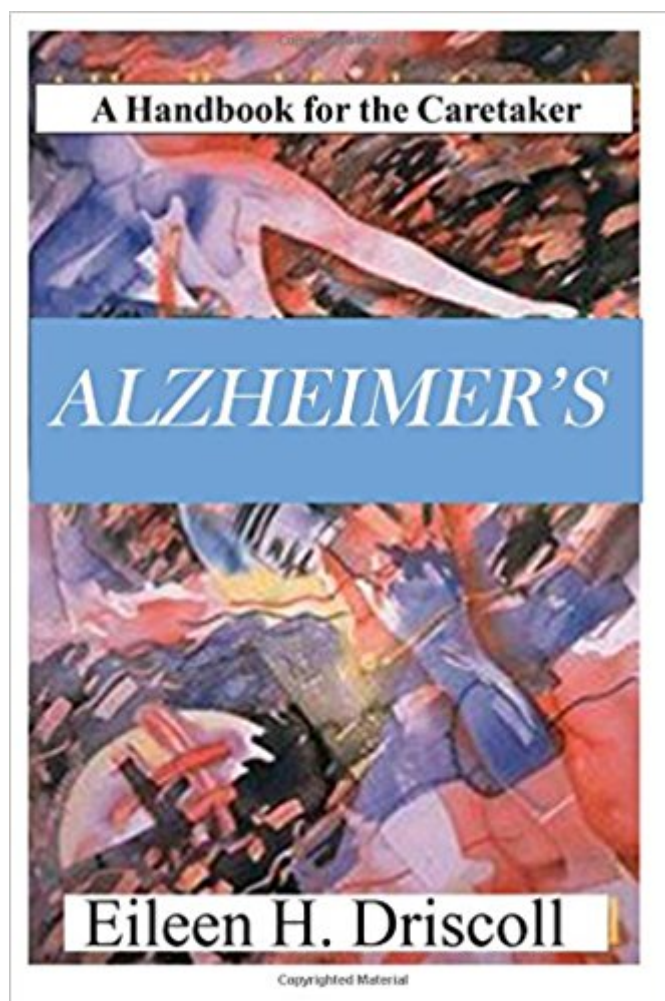


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# Alzheimer's: Handbook For The Caretaker



## Synopsis

This is a great manual, written by a person who has spent a lifetime caring for these patients, from the onset of the disease until their passing. If you are dealing with anyone having Alzheimer's, whether a family member, relative, friend, medical professional, or caretaker, this book will be especially helpful. Here's what M. A. Director, Ileana Stone said:

"Your manual is a very enlightening study of the person with Alzheimer's Disease. It gives the reader an overview on how to care for the Alzheimer's victim on a daily basis; [it offers] many fine resource references and the material is simplified in terms that most people can understand."

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## Customer Reviews

Although this book is 12 years old, the content is timeless. When my mother was diagnosed with early stages of this disease, I was at a loss. I ordered two or three books on the subject, with this being one of them. This was the BEST OF THE LOT. Easy to read and written for laymen there is not a lot of medical jargon here. Rather in concise terms signs and symptoms are listed in chapters that allow you to read about the progression of this disease. The emphasis is on the caregiver and how to relate to your loved one. This book came in so handy over the course of my caregiving, I read it over and over. It is wonderful that a nurse wrote this in such a one on one format. Although my mother is gone, this book is a keeper for dealing with other dementia patients/people one comes in contact with. I would make it mandatory reading for anyone dealing with dementia

parents/patients.

I am caring for my husband (69 years old). He's had dementia for almost 5 years. This book is so easy to understand and covers so many aspects of memory loss. It explains the disease as well as gives comfort and knowledge to the caregiver. It really helped me. I have shared it with my Caregiver Support group and they like it too.

Was very informative, easy to read and definitely helped me to understand that what my husband was doing is what most Alzheimer's patients do. Made me more aware of my reactions to different episodes and I now know that if I remain calm and not confrontational it helps to keep him from getting more agitated.

I received this today, and read it right away. I believe that it highlighted several good, common sense strategies for the family member who is providing care for someone with AD. Now I hope I can get other members of my family to read it.

book was helpful in understanding what my loved one is going through. would recommend to anyone who is or will be a caregiver in the future.

If you take care of someone with Alzheimer, than you need to read this book.

My mother was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease very early in 2000. As my grandmother had this disease also several years ago, and I cared for her also, I wanted up to date information on the disease and our options. I was the only caregiver for both my grandmother and my mother, and this book was invaluable in validating my feelings of sorrow, frustration & loneliness. It explained the disease and it's progression, also that it is NOT a bad thing if you ask for help from professionals and friends. When a person has Alzheimer's disease, the primary caretaker is usually a family member, and quite often is isolated from most outside activities. Many times, other family members and friends avoid the caretaker & patient. For myself, this disease is a slow grieving process, as you see that person leaving slowly, while still being here. This book is a great resource to help the caregiver in their life with the Alzheimer's patient.

The first time I really started to think about what Alzheimer's disease was when I read a story about

Ronald Reagan. I then started to think what exactly goes into the care of someone like that? How does one provide for the needs of those afflicted with the malady? Eileen Driscoll has written a first rate accounting of what each person needs to know about the dealings with and caring for the Alzheimer's Patient. Driscoll's book is more than the simple do this do that approach, it is a heartwarming story of someone devoted to helping those much less fortunate than herself. What Driscoll brings to this book is a true sense of realism. Driscoll is a role model and hero and deserves to be recognized for her work. The book gives a helping hand, and I would have to stay, from a real expert in the field.

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