

SPECIAL FOCUS:

Revisiting Risk and Resilience

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The upcoming issue of *Families in Society* (Vol. 91, No. 3) will feature a special focus on risk and resilience as it relates to consumers and their communities. This new collection of articles also brings attention to the roles played by the diversity of consumers and the cultural competence of practitioners. Adding to the dialog are the questions of whether or not changes are needed in the current practice paradigm, and if social work can benefit from bringing knowledge from other fields and folding it into current practices.

Contributors provide insight into the basic assumptions of client resiliency, and examine those tenets in an attempt to make social work thought more sophisticated and responsive to consumers and communities. They also provide new research on more subtle internal and external factors and resources that influence the level of resilience in individuals and families.

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