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The sociology of health and illness studies the relationship between society and health, examining contemporary and historical influences on our well-being. It emphasizes that health and medical science are social constructs, with our understanding of illness and its interactions being socially interpreted. Promoting health has become a central feature of health policy at local, national, and international levels, and the Sociology of Health offers a critical sociological account of these developments. The discipline examines contemporary public health policy, lifestyle, consumption, risk, and health and socio-political critiques of health promotion. The sociology of health and illness examines how social life influences morbidity and mortality rates and how diseases are examined and compared based on traditional medicine, economics, religion, and culture-specific to each region. The sociology of health and illness requires a global approach, as the influence of societal factors varies worldwide. The issue of health and illness within social life is dynamic, and advancing information is vibrant as patterns evolve. This book proposal outlines a comprehensive exploration of Sociology of Health and Illness. The aim is to provide readers with a thorough understanding of the complex interplay between medical practices, sociological factors, and the broader healthcare landscape. This book is an essential resource for academics, healthcare practitioners, policy makers, and anyone interested in the intersection of health and society.

List of Topics:

- Sociology of Health and Illness: Concept, Nature & Scope, Emergence and Development
- Dimensions and Determinants of Health
- Theoretical Perspectives on Health and Illness
- Social Epidemiology
- Community Health and Social Medicine
- Health Seeking Behaviour and Lifestyle
- Health, Medicine and Society
- Medicalization and Demedicalization
- Public Health, Health Structures and Health Policy
- Health Indicators in India
- Occupational Health
- Women and Health
- Mental Health and Illness
- Doctor-Patient Relationships
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