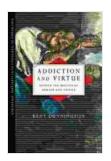
# **Beyond the Models of Disease and Choice: Strategic Initiatives in Evangelical**



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Health is a complex issue with many contributing factors. Traditional models of disease and choice have failed to adequately address the social, economic, and environmental determinants of health. This book offers a fresh perspective on the relationship between health, faith, and community engagement. Drawing on research and case studies, it challenges traditional models of disease and choice and proposes a new framework for understanding health and well-being.

The book is divided into three parts. Part I provides an overview of the current state of health in the United States. It discusses the major health challenges facing the country, such as obesity, heart disease, and cancer. It also explores the social and economic factors that contribute to these challenges.

Part II of the book challenges traditional models of disease and choice. It argues that these models are too narrow and that they fail to take into account the complexity of health. The book proposes a new framework for understanding health that emphasizes the role of social, economic, and environmental factors.

Part III of the book presents case studies of successful strategic initiatives that have improved health outcomes in evangelical communities. These case studies provide practical examples of how to apply the principles of the new framework to real-world settings.

This book is a valuable resource for anyone interested in improving health in evangelical communities. It provides a comprehensive overview of the current state of health, challenges traditional models of disease and choice, and proposes a new framework for understanding health and well-being.

#### **Chapter 1: The Current State of Health in the United States**

The current state of health in the United States is a mixed bag. On the one hand, Americans are living longer than ever before. In 1900, the average life expectancy was 47 years. Today, it is 79 years. On the other hand, Americans are also facing a number of serious health challenges, such as obesity, heart disease, and cancer.

Obesity is a major problem in the United States. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), more than one-third of American adults are obese. Obesity is a risk factor for a number of chronic diseases, including heart disease, stroke, type 2 diabetes, and cancer.

Heart disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. According to the CDC, more than 600,000 Americans die from heart disease each year. Heart disease is a complex disease that is caused by a number of factors, including high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and obesity.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States.

According to the CDC, more than 600,000 Americans die from cancer each year. Cancer is a complex disease that can be caused by a number of factors, including genetics, lifestyle, and environmental exposure.

These are just a few of the health challenges facing the United States today. These challenges are complex and they have a number of contributing factors. In Free Download to address these challenges, we need to move beyond traditional models of disease and choice and adopt a new framework for understanding health and well-being.

#### **Chapter 2: Challenging Traditional Models of Disease and Choice**

Traditional models of disease and choice have failed to adequately address the social, economic, and environmental determinants of health. These models view health as a purely individual responsibility and they ignore the role of social, economic, and environmental factors in shaping health outcomes.

The disease model of health is based on the idea that disease is caused by a specific agent, such as a virus or bacteria. This model views health as a state of absence of disease. The choice model of health is based on the idea that individuals have the power to make healthy choices and that these choices will lead to good health. This model views health as a state of well-being that is achieved through healthy choices.

Both the disease model and the choice model of health are too narrow. They fail to take into account the complexity of health. Health is not simply the absence of disease or the result of individual choices. It is a complex state of well-being that is influenced by a number of factors, including social, economic, and environmental factors.

In Free Download to move beyond traditional models of disease and choice, we need to adopt a new framework for understanding health. This framework must take into account the complexity of health and the role of social, economic, and environmental factors in shaping health outcomes.

#### **Chapter 3: A New Framework for Understanding Health**

The new framework for understanding health that is proposed in this book is based on the idea that health is a state of well-being that is influenced by a number of factors, including social, economic, and environmental factors. This framework views health as a continuum, rather than a dichotomy. Health is not simply the absence of disease or the result of individual choices. It is a complex state of well-being that is influenced by a number of factors.

The new framework for understanding health has a number of implications for health policy and practice. First, it suggests that we need to focus on preventing disease rather than simply treating it. Second, it suggests that we need to address the social, economic, and environmental determinants of health. Third, it suggests that we need to empower individuals to make healthy choices.

The new framework for understanding health is a more comprehensive and holistic approach to health than traditional models of disease and choice. It

takes into account the complexity of health and the role of social, economic, and environmental factors in shaping health outcomes. This framework has the potential to lead to better health outcomes for all Americans.

#### **Chapter 4: Case Studies of Successful Strategic Initiatives**

The final chapter of the book presents case studies of successful strategic initiatives that have improved health outcomes in evangelical communities. These case studies provide practical examples of how to apply the principles of the new framework to real-world settings.

The case studies in this chapter include:

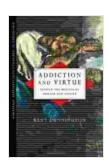
- A community-based program to reduce obesity in a low-income evangelical community
- A faith-based program to improve blood pressure control in an African
   American evangelical community
- A faith-based program to reduce smoking in a Hispanic evangelical community

These case studies demonstrate the power of strategic initiatives to improve health outcomes in evangelical communities. They provide practical examples of how to apply the principles of the new framework to real-world settings.

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