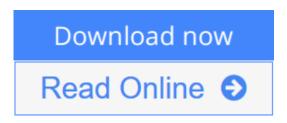


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"(The book) is an excellent comprehensive resource for the most current research available regarding complementary therapies. What I appreciated most was the incorporation of case examples into some of the chapters. This book is an excellent resource manual for any therapists who want to increase their knowledge of a complementary therapeutic approach and show its efficacy through evidence-based research."

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