1. Record Nr. UNINA9910252719803321 Autore Murray Suellen Titolo Finding Lost Childhoods: Supporting Care-Leavers to Access Personal Records / / by Suellen Murray Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan, , 2017 **ISBN** 9783319571386 \$q (electronic bk.) 3319571389 Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (216 pages): illustrations Disciplina 362.732 Childhood Soggetti Adolescence Social policy Social service **Families** Families—Social aspects Childhood, Adolescence and Society Children, Youth and Family Policy Social Care Family Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction -- Part 1: The significance of care records -- 1. Making

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Sommario/riassunto This book explores care-leavers' access to their personal records.

People who grew up in care in previous decades may know little about

their family nor understand why they were placed in care nor how

decisions were made about their lives. Personal records can be a source of this information. Murray posits that it is crucial that those releasing these records understand their significance. Taking a person-centred approach, the book is based on the moving life history accounts of people who have sought their records. Finding Lost Childhoods highlights the importance of records to their identity formation, recounts what they discovered about themselves and their family, and discusses the consequences of finding this information. With a focus on policy and practice implications, the book will be of particular interest to those engaged in the work of releasing records, as well as careleavers themselves, professional bodies, and students and scholars with an interest in social work, policy studies, welfare studies and youth work.