Record Nr. UNINA9910300437903321 Autore **Ernst Edzard Titolo** More Harm than Good?: The Moral Maze of Complementary and Alternative Medicine / / by Edzard Ernst, Kevin Smith Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2018 **ISBN** 3-319-69941-5 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xxv, 223 pages) 610 Disciplina Soggetti Medicine Health Complementary medicine **Bioethics** Health psychology Health economics Popular Science in Medicine and Health Complementary & Alternative Medicine Health Psychology **Health Economics** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Medical ethics -- Competence -- Research -- Education -- Informed Consent -- Truth -- Exploitation -- Conclusions -- Glossary with short explanations of the main alternative therapies. Sommario/riassunto This book reveals the numerous ways in which moral, ethical and legal principles are being violated by those who provide, recommend or sell 'complementary and alternative medicine' (CAM). The book analyses both academic literature and internet sources that promote CAM. Additionally the book presents a number of brief scenarios, both hypothetical and real-life, about individuals who use CAM or who fall prey to ethically dubious CAM practitioners. The events and conundrums described in these scenarios could happen to almost

anyone. Professor emeritus of complementary medicine Edzard Ernst

together with bioethicist Kevin Smith provide a thorough and

authoritative ethical analysis of a range of CAM modalities, including acupuncture, chiropractic, herbalism, and homeopathy. This book could and should interest all medical professionals who have contact to complementary medicine and will be an invaluable reference for patients deliberating which course of treatment to adopt.