Record Nr. UNINA9910456422103321 Autore Heshmat Shahram **Titolo** Eating behavior and obesity [[electronic resource]]: behavioral economics strategies for health professionals / / Shahram Heshmat New York, : Springer Pub. Co., 2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-283-13707-0 9786613137074 0-8261-0622-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (257 p.) Disciplina 616.85/26 Soggetti Eating disorders Decision making - Psychological aspects Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Behavioral economics and eating decisions -- Explaining eating behavior -- Basic economics : a primer -- An economic perspective on eating behavior -- Socioeconomic disparities in health and obesity --Decision making over time -- How we make decisions: the role of emotion -- Food addiction and obesity -- Overeating and decisionmaking deficits -- Why dieters relapse -- Using self-control strategies to promote healthier food choices -- Policy implications and conclusion. Obesity is one of the most pressing health issues affecting our country. Sommario/riassunto This unique volume is the first to apply behavioral economics-the integration of psychological and economic knowledge-to the study of eating behavior. The text demonstrates how this discipline can be used to understand why it so difficult for individuals to control their eating habits, and helps readers use this knowledge to create and improve public health nutrition programs and policies. The text examines dietary choices and obesity through a multidisciplinary lens of

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