Record Nr. UNINA9910779835003321 Autore Nie Jing-Bao <1962-> Titolo Behind the silence: Chinese voices on abortion // Jing-Bao Nie Lanham, Maryland;; Oxford, England:,: Rowman & Littlefield Pubbl/distr/stampa Publishers, Inc., , 2005 ©2005 **ISBN** 0-7425-2370-5 0-7425-7128-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (308 p.) Collana Asian Voices. A sub-series of Asia/Pacific/Perspectives Disciplina 363.46/0951 Soggetti Abortion - China Abortion - Moral and ethical aspects - China Birth control - China Women's studies - China China Population policy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Cover: Title Page: Contents: Foreword by Arthur Kleinman: Introduction: 1 Listening to the Silence The Absence of Public Debate and Its Meaning; 2 ""Instructon"" from Above: Official Positions; 3 The Forgotten Controversies: Heritage of Imperial Times; 4 Tidings from the Populace: Consensus and Contention in the Survey Results; 5 Bitterness beyond Words: Women's Narratives; 6 Fulfiling Discordant Duties: Doctors' Narratives; 7 An Inquiry into Coerced Abortion: Sociocultural and Ethical Issues: 8 The Challenge of Cross-Cultural Dialogue: Taking Seriously China's Internal Plurality Appendix: The Pilot Study, the Survey, and the InterviewsReferences; Index; Acknowledgements; About the Author Behind the Silence is the first in-depth work in any language to explore Sommario/riassunto the diverse perspectives of mainland Chinese regarding induced abortion and fetal life in the context of the world's most ambitious and intrusive family planning program. Through his investigation of public silence, official standpoints, forgotten controversies from the imperial

era, popular opinions, women's personal stories, doctors' narratives,

and the problem of coerced abortion, Nie Jing-Bao brings to light a surprising range of beliefs concerning fetal life and the morality of abortion, yet finds overall an acceptan