Record Nr. UNINA9910810795703321 Autore Carlson Licia <1970-> Titolo The faces of intellectual disability: philosophical reflections / / Licia Carlson Bloomington, Ind., : Indiana University Press, c2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-53978-7 9786612539787 0-253-00394-6 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (286 p.) Disciplina 616.8588 Intellectual disability - Philosophy Soggetti Intellectual disability - Social aspects People with mental disabilities **Ethics** Intellectual disability Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto The institutional world of intellectual disability -- Twin brothers : the "idiot" and the institution -- Gendered objects, gendered subjects --Analytic interlude -- The philosophical world of intellectual disability -- The face of authority -- The face of the beast -- The face of suffering. Sommario/riassunto In a challenge to current thinking about cognitive impairment, this book explores what it means to treat people with intellectual disabilities in an ethical manner. Reassessing philosophical views of intellectual disability, Licia Carlson shows how we can affirm the dignity and worth of intellectually disabled people first by ending comparisons to nonhuman animals and then by confronting our fears and discomforts. Carlson presents the complex history of ideas about cognitive disability, the treatment of intellectually disabled people, and social and cultural reactions to them. Sensitive and clearly argued, this book offers new insights on recent trends in disability studies and

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