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Health care systems across the WHO European Region have done and are doing much to tackle the complex and daunting problem of poverty and health. This book describes 12 initiatives already undertaken in 10 WHO Member States. It documents WHO's preliminary findings on how health care systems can help to alleviate poverty, and reaches three main conclusions: health care systems can indeed take effective action to improve the health of the poor; sometimes health care systems can actually represent an additional barrier for the poor and there is an urgent need for more knowledge, training and capacity-building in this area. It is hoped that the information presented here will contribute to the efforts to improve health and increase equity by tackling poverty and its effects on health across the length and breadth of Europe.
