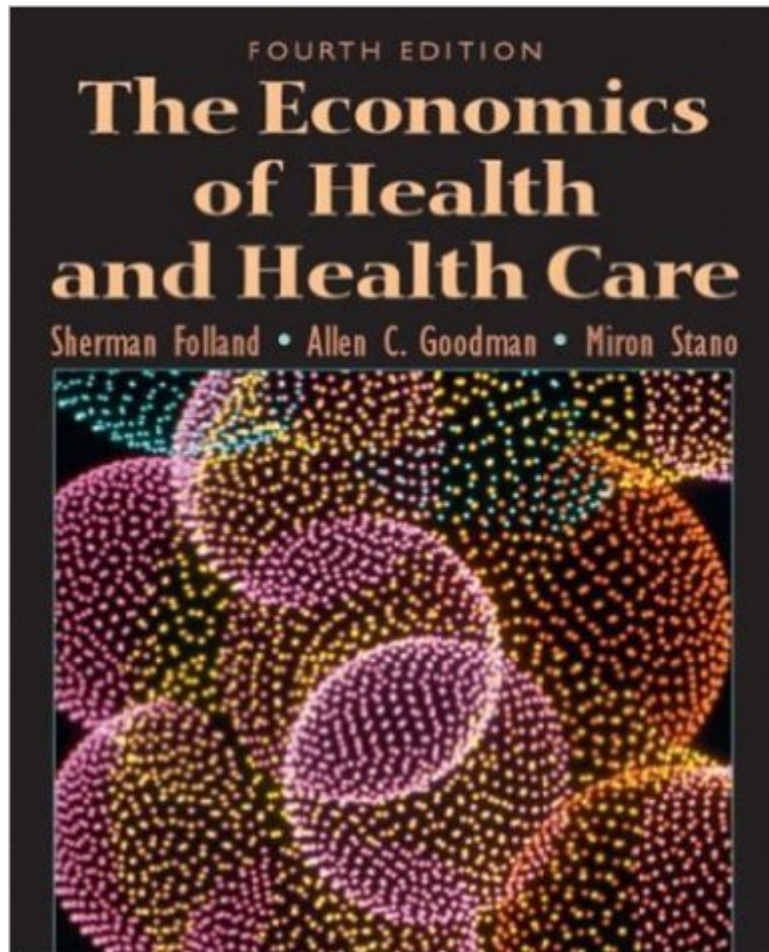


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As with all economics textbooks and the subject of economics in general, this book is a bit dry. That said however, it's quite thorough in its coverage of how consumers, producers, and insurers make decisions about health and health care. It gives explanations that are rather simple to understand and goes in depth as far as would be considered normal for a 300 level elective course. I should probably note that my instructor is one of the book's authors, so take my review how you will.

This book is divided into 6 parts and 25 chapters. It provides an interesting introduction on issues related to the scope of health economics before discussing the important topic of demand and supply. I have found chapter 4 very useful since it provides a good insight of economic evaluation, with the discussion related to cost-benefit analysis, cost-effectiveness analysis, cost-utility and cost-minimization analysis. During this period characterized by the deficits of health care, the reader will find useful information in chapter related to health insurance, managed care, consumer preference, etc that provide knowledge required for planning and policy-making.

This is a good book to introduce you with the basic concepts of health economics. The text is heavily reliant on microeconomics, and though it gives some overview in the first two chapters it really helps to understand basic micro before reading this book. Overall, a good book, but a bit outdated. With the latest developments in health care reform you may want to purchase the newer version.

Clear and comprehensible analysis of health care issues. A textbook that requires some patience to digest. Helpful to understand us health policy.

Good book to develop the conceptual understanding of how health can be viewed as a product of both individual production and individual consumption.

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Kind of a boring read but it was required for one of my classes.

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