



Governing Girls: Rehabilitation in the Age of Risk (Paperback)

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Fernwood Publishing Co Ltd, Canada, 2012. Paperback. Condition: New. New. Language: English . Brand New Book. Recognizing the significant media hype and moral panic over assaults and violent crimes perpetrated by young women in recent years, this investigation reveals how Canadian governmental response to control crime overall and provide citizen protection has taken various--and often contradictory--forms. The current research agenda is explored, revealing how it focuses on risk assessment for controlling youth violence while ignoring the very concept of risk as a sociocultural phenomenon. Through interviews with young female offenders and youth justice authorities, this study examines female youth violence in the contemporary landscape of control, analyzing the increasing reliance on risk assessment tools. Delving into the meaning of treatment; analyzing the gender, race, and class dimensions of the risk construct; and questioning the impact of risk rationality, this reference contends that actuarial technologies depoliticize the process of control, further excluding and marginalizing young female offenders.

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