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It comes with a most useful web link as well. Do start the book by reading the short introduction which sets the complex scene simply and effectively for all concerned with what we envisage is a wide market for this title. The Court of Protection Made Clear: A User's Guide says that it covers everyone from start to finish aiming to help anyone caught up in dealings with Court of Protection! Its aimed specifically at the non-lawyer and the carer and is something we have all required for a while which is not, of course, to decry all the other worthy tomes on the market. Its stated mission can be described as highly successful because it demystifies the law, language and procedure of the Court in order that those helping relatives, social workers specialising in elderly services, and the growing number of care home managers will be better informed and prepared for what is involved and all the problems and concerns which go with the Courts work. We also consider the title to be a perfect introduction for professionals such as accountants and financial advisers involved as trustees or in court as expert witnesses. The authors, Claire Wills-Goldingham QC, Marie Leslie and Dr Paul Divall, have fully updated commentary on the Courts procedures with the Case Management Pilot Practice Direction applying to most of the new proceedings from 1st September 2016 which is at the back of the book. The title aims to help everyone involved in Court of Protection proceedings. Keehan J, as the expert consulting editor, writes in the Foreword that it is essential that those who care for individuals who lack, or may lack, capacity to make decisions about various aspects of their lives, have a working knowledge of, or at least are familiar with, the core provisions of the procedures and requirements of the Mental Capacity Act and of the court. And that is exactly what you get here. The book deliberately sets out from the start to bridge the gap between the people using the Court and the professionals who advise them. It allows all involved to make fully informed decisions about money and welfare at what can be a stressful time for everyone. Using plain English, the authors explain the law simply, including its language and procedures, and the work is enhanced by a raft of invaluable flowcharts, tables and model documents that help put the guidance into practice- in other words, it gives us a text written in clear simple language whilst avoiding the use, wherever possible, of technical and legal terms and is just what we need now. Whilst being wholly accessible to the non-lawyer, the guide also provides the professional legal adviser with a quick, clear first point of reference and we think it is probably the best on the market at the current time for its clarity and ease of use in just over 350 pages. The publication date is cited as at July 2016.