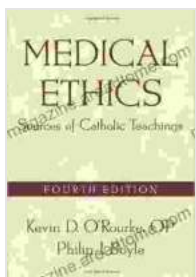


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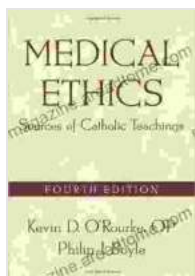
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By embracing the principles outlined in this essential work, healthcare professionals, policymakers, and all those involved in healthcare can promote a healthcare system that upholds the dignity of every human life, fosters equity and justice, and embodies the highest ethical standards.



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