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## Mad, Bad and Sad: The History of Women and the Mind Doctors from 1800

This book uncovers the history of psychiatry through the personal lives, studies and achievements of the principal mind doctors whose main focus was to understand and treat women and who left a mark in this medical area. I really, really did, as there's a wonderful amount of information in hear about the history of the psychiatric profession in general, along with numerous case studies of how the mental health field has been applied to women though the past several centuries. At first, hospitals for the mentally ill were nothing more than storage facilities to keep the patient out of the families hair.

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This is not, as Appignanesi emphasises, to deny that the diagnoses usually respond to real distresses; but to highlight an intractably self-perpetuating process, amplified today by the hugely profitable pharmaceuticals industry. The book returns repeatedly to the most awkward questions. I'm so beyond furious, it's likely best if I wait to review this novel, but if I hope to get some restful sleep, I have to vent.

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I suspect that this acknowledgement and sympathy sometimes has more significant impact than the formal techniques of mindfulness and so on. In those interpretations, the psychoses that manifested themselves in violent attacks were explained by Lacan as disturbances of love, or erotic fixations.

## Phyllis Chesler

She explains again, as she had in previous chapters, that the older meaning of the reference to nerves was as an adjective that when applied meant something like brave, courageous, resilient.

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