

MENTAL HEALTH COMPREHENSIVE EXAM READING LIST
SOCIOLOGY (PHD)
Kent State University – University of Akron
Major Reading List

GENERAL READINGS

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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, TREATMENT SEEKING, AND POLICY

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