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Low-cost rural health care and health manpower training: An annotated bibliography with special emphasis on developing countries, Volume 3 by F.M. Delaney, 1977. International Development Research Centre, Ottawa, Canada, pp. 188 (IDRC – 093e). Available from IDRC, Box 8500, Ottawa, Canada KIG 3HP.

This is the third volume in a series of annotated bibliographies on low-cost rural health care and health manpower training published by the International Development Research Centre, Ottawa, Canada. The previous two volumes (IDRC – 038e and IDRC – 042e) were published in 1975 and 1976 respectively.

The third volume, like the previous two companion volumes, will prove to be an indispensable reference to all those concerned with the design and provision of low-cost health care to rural people in the developing countries. It is a comprehensive volume that includes studies from practically the whole of the developing world. Its publication coincides with the realization, in many parts of the world, that the provision of primary medical care to all members of society at a cost that each society can afford is a highly relevant social goal in every country. Dr. H. Mahler, Director-General of WHO, in calling for this, describes it as "A social revolution in public health".

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