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This collection of 14 chapters brings together a wide array of applied anthropologists, other social scientists, and practitioners to detail the ways in which public health measures can be effectively integrated with HIV/AIDS prevention, anti-retroviral treatment, and food security efforts in sub-Saharan Africa.

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