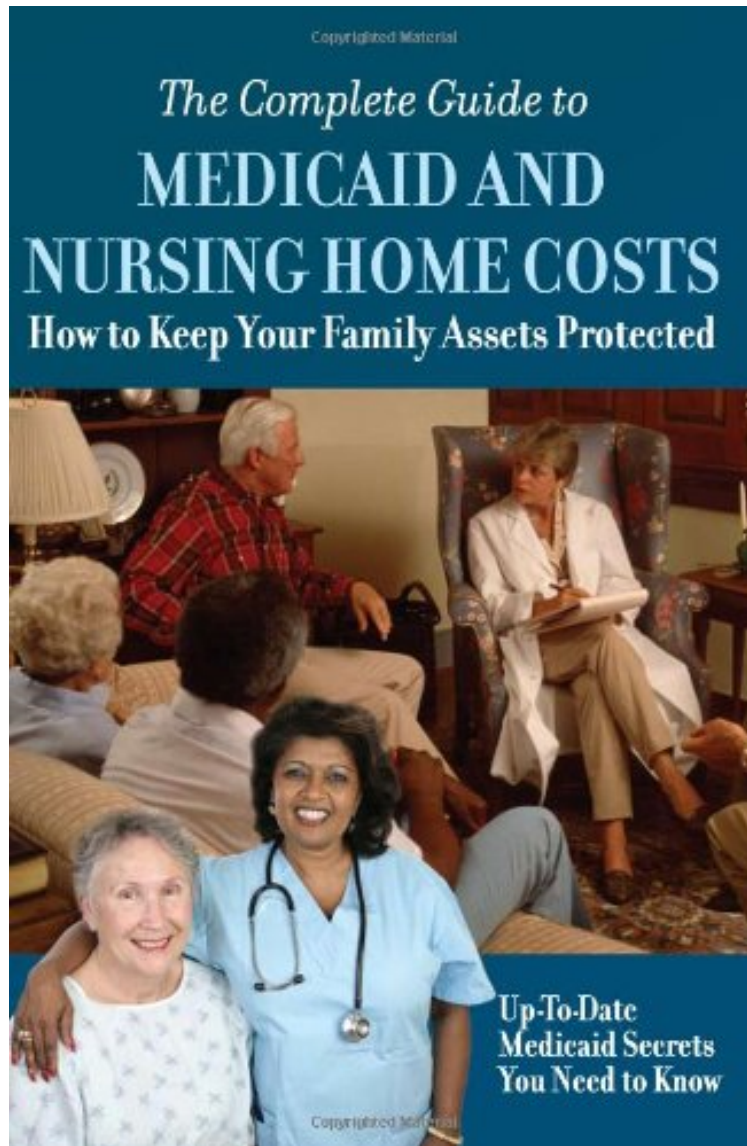


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The book has useful information, but it's buried under obvious or irrelevant information. The index is no help. The only term indexed under F is "Family". When I wanted to refer back to the section on Miller trusts, my choices under M were "Married", "Meals", "Medical coverage", "MMMNA", and "Money".  
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