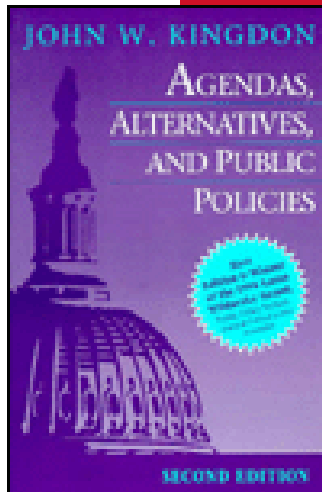


Health Professional Regulation

by the (policy) book?



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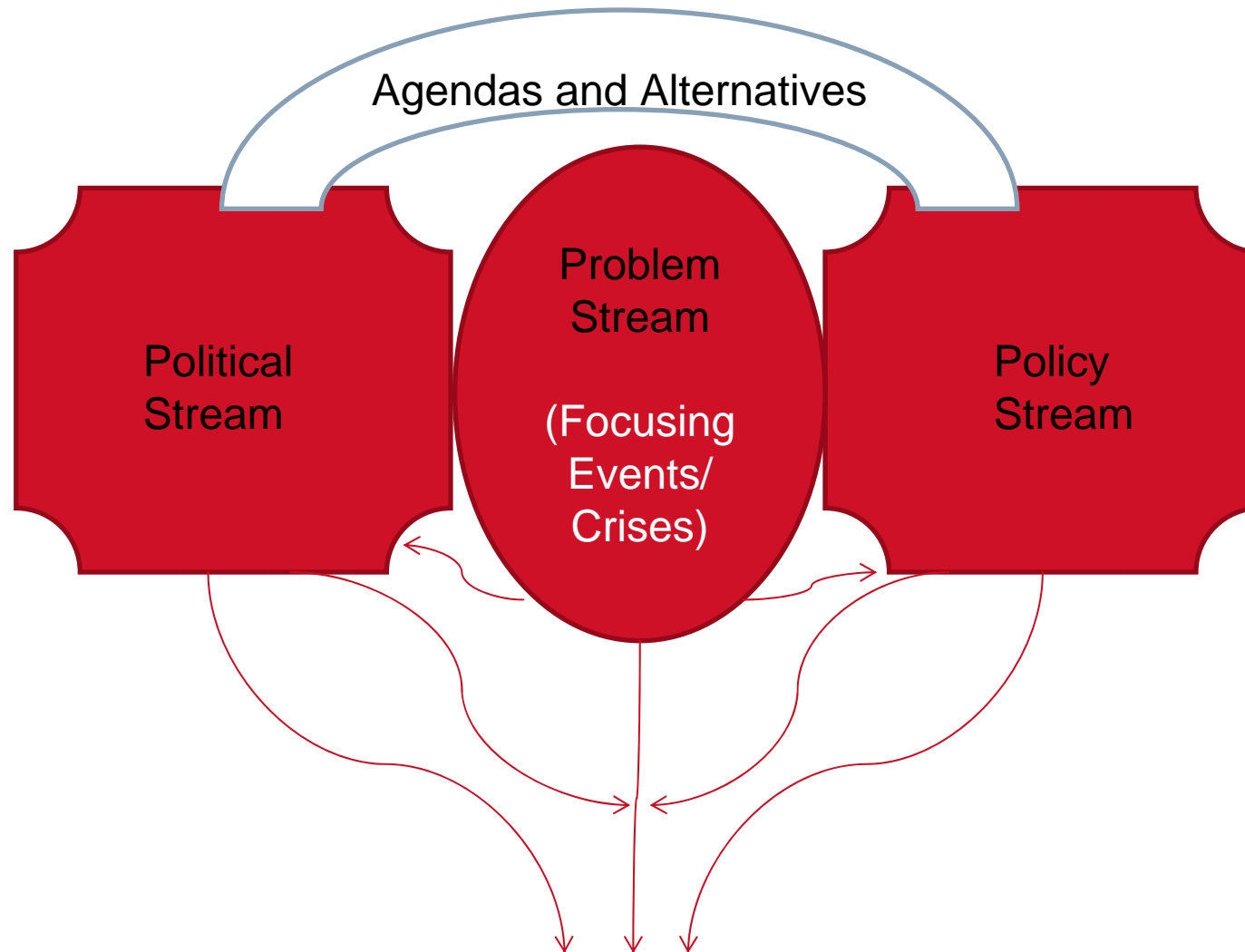
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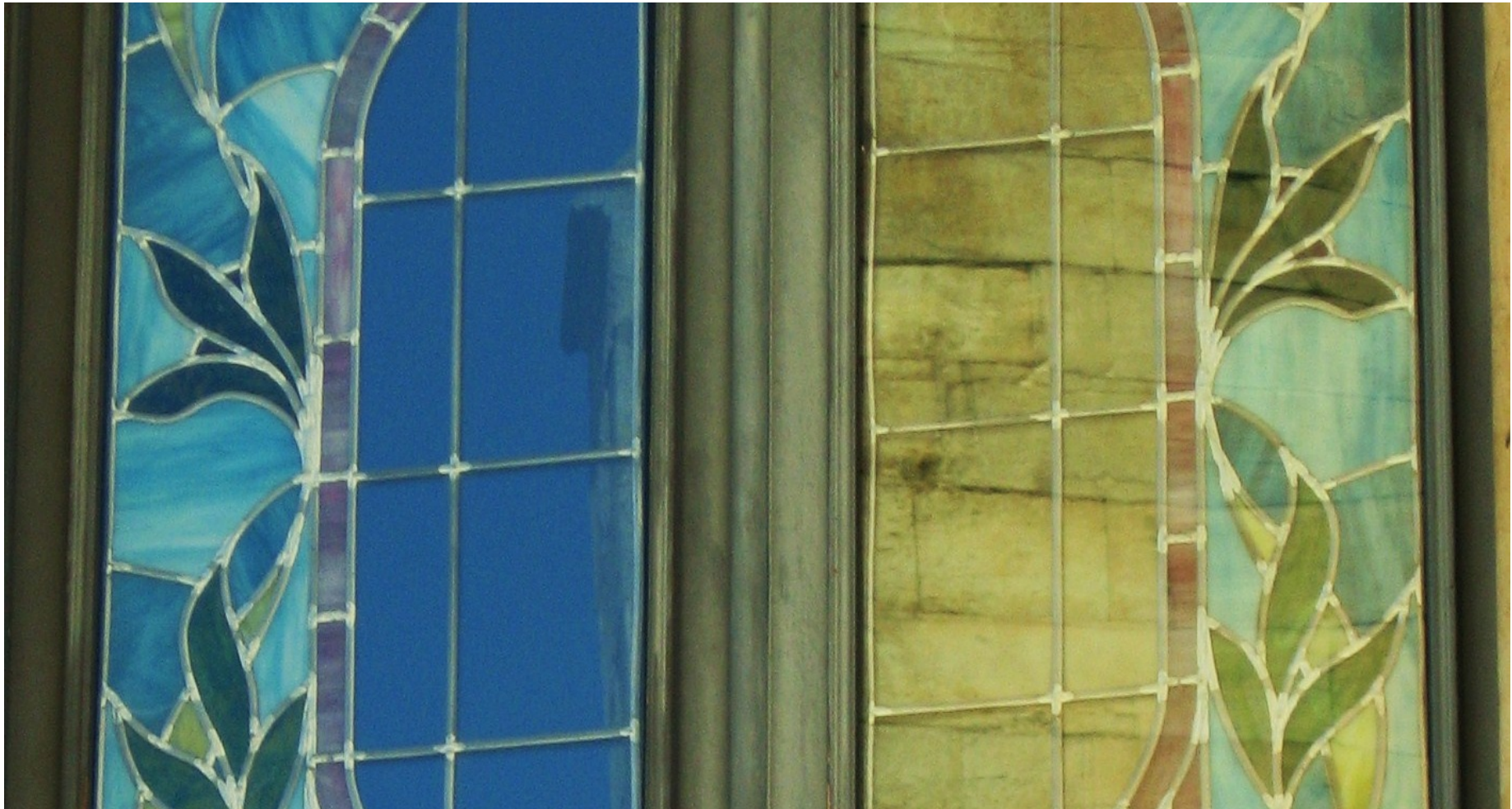
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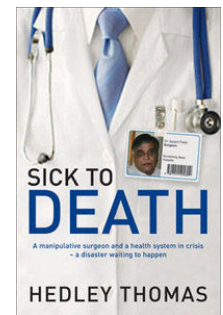
The Policy Window



- › There are significant changed regulatory arrangements and reform activities that are affecting Australia's health workforce
- › A 'policy window' opened, resulting in the establishment of a new national regulatory structure and a national workforce agency
- › Looking back through a policy window retrospectively provides a complex image presenting the cross-over of policy and political streams in which issues, problems, indicators and crises intermingle

On 1 July 2010.....

- › The commencement of the operations of the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency
- › Jayant Patel sentenced after being found guilty of three counts of manslaughter and one of grievous bodily harm



The crossing of the streams/unravelling threads





- › Expanding the views
 - Broader methodological and conceptual analyses are to be applied
 - Comparative assessment on the catalytic nature of crises in health professional regulation internationally
 - Jurisdictional status - a substantial development at a national level vs. political trends towards the local

- › The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency and Health Workforce Australia are complex regulation and reform developments

- › And, if these development constitute the solutions, what were the problems – and whose agendas have been addressed?

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