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## Assessment of Feigned Cognitive Impairment A Neuropsychological Perspective



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### Overview

Comprehensive and user friendly, this book synthesizes the growing literature on symptom feigning in cognitive testing and translates it into evidence-based recommendations for clinical and forensic practice. A wide range of cognitive effort assessment techniques and strategies are critically reviewed, including both dedicated measures and the use of embedded indicators in standard clinical tests. The book describes approaches to distinguishing between credible and noncredible performance in specific clinical populations: persons presenting with head injury, chronic pain and fatigue, attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder and learning disability, mental retardation, seizures, and exposure to environmental toxins. Special topics include the potentially confounding effects of psychiatric disorder and ethnocultural factors on effort testing, and cognitive assessment in the criminal forensic setting.

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## Reviews

"This is an excellent book that provides state-of-the-art perspectives on assessing and determining noncredible neuropsychological performance. The book suggests advances beyond the pejorative and sometimes simplistic term 'malingering,' looking instead at both conscious and nonconscious motives for poor performance. Contributors review an astonishing array of techniques and strategies for detecting noncredible performance on symptom validity tests and clinical measures. Proposing novel nomenclature and conceptual thinking, this volume will help move the field forward in this important area of research and practice."

**-Wilfred G. van Gorp, PhD, Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons**

"This comprehensive work features contributions by many of the best-known people in the field. Covering assessment of diverse groups-including persons with psychogenic seizures, criminal forensic examinees, and cultural and linguistic minority group members. This will be a useful text for graduate-level courses and a resource for practicing clinicians."

**-Laurence M. Binder, PhD, Departments of Psychiatry and Neurology, Oregon Health and Science University**

"Boone and her colleagues effectively review a large selection of clinical circumstances that require neuropsychological assessment of feigned cognitive impairment, and thoroughly examine a broad range of tests used for that purpose. The book is filled with thoughtful exploration of current issues attending assessment of feigning. This comprehensive text will become an essential reference for neuropsychologists and other forensic clinicians."

**-Richard I. Frederick, PhD, United States Medical Centre for Federal Prisoners, Springfield, Missouri**

## About the Editor

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## Audience

Neuropsychologists, clinical psychologists, and forensic psychologists, including those conducting disability and personal injury evaluations; interns and fellows in neuropsychological training.

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