

CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

Confirmation Bias: Enemy of Truth in Forensic Mental Health Assessments - 73910-71391

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Educational Objectives:

At the conclusion of this presentation participants will:

1. Identify the origins of confirmation bias
2. Explain the impact of confirmation bias on Forensic Mental Health Assessments (FMHA)
3. Specify a useful debiasing technique

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