



Australian and New Zealand Association of Psychiatry, Psychology and Law

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DISSOCIATIVE IDENTITY DISORDER: FROM DRAMA TO TRAUMA

Thursday 30 November 2023

Cliftons Freshwater Place

Level 18, 2 Southbank Blvd, Southbank VIC 3006

In this full-day workshop, designed for psychologists, psychiatrists, and legal practitioners, Prof. Scott will provide attendees with the knowledge and skills to confidently evaluate claims of dissociation in forensic contexts.

Prof. Scott will cover various topics related to the assessment of dissociative identity disorder and malingering, including, among others:

- History and evolution of dissociative disorders (including trauma and iatrogenic causation)
- Conceptualisations of dissociation and the evaluation and diagnosis of dissociative identity disorder
- Psychometric and biometric assessment of dissociative experiences
- Forensic evaluation of malingered dissociative amnesia claims
- Suggestibility, repressed memories, and dissociative identity disorder
- Evaluations of dissociative identity disorder in criminal and civil contexts
- Expert evidence in civil and criminal cases, including malingered dissociative identity disorder, mental impairment defence, and fitness to stand trial

About the facilitator

Charles Scott, MD, is Chief, Division of Psychiatry and the Law, Forensic Psychiatry Fellowship Training Director, and Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at the University of California, Davis Medical Center in Sacramento, California. He is Board Certified in General Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and has Added Qualifications in Forensic Psychiatry and Addiction Psychiatry. Dr Scott is a Past-President of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law (AAPL) and is also Past-President of the Association of Directors of Forensic Psychiatry Fellowships. He has served as a member of the AAPL national task force to develop guidelines for the evaluation of criminal responsibility and competency to stand trial. Dr Scott is one of four national AAPL Forensic Psychiatry Review Course Faculty instructors and in 2008 received the AAPL award as the most outstanding forensic psychiatry fellowship program instructor in the United States.

Dr Scott has served as a forensic psychiatric consultant to jails, prisons, maximum security forensic inpatient units, California Department of State Hospitals, and as a consultant to the National Football League (NFL) providing training in violence risk assessment for NFL counsellors. He has performed suitability evaluations for NASA's Astronaut Selection Board. His academic subspecialty is child and adolescent forensic psychiatry. Dr Scott has authored book chapters on juvenile violence, mental health law, and co-authored chapters on child psychiatry and the assessment of dangerousness. He has served as editor or co-editor for numerous books and is co-editor of the Third Edition of Principles and Practice of Forensic Psychiatry.

His research interests include the relationship of substance use to aggression among criminal defendants, on the quality of forensic evaluations of criminal responsibility, child witness testimony, malingering, and assessment of post-traumatic stress disorder. He lectures nationally on the topics of malingering, violence risk assessment, juvenile violence, substance use and violence, the assessment of sex offenders, correctional psychiatry, DSM-5 and the law, and malpractice issues in mental health.

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