

# NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT OF AGGRESSIVE OFFENDERS: A DELPHI STUDY

## PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

Several studies have shown links between cognitive functioning and criminal behavior. However, it remains unclear which cognitive functions are most relevant to assess in offenders, and which tests/tasks are most suitable for this purpose. As a result, clinicians are often unsure what tests to administer. With this Delphi study, we aim to reach consensus on this topic among a panel of international experts in the field of forensic neuropsychology.

## WHAT IS A DELPHI STUDY?

The Delphi technique is an iterative process, involving a number of rounds where experts' opinions are repeatedly surveyed until a desired level of consensus is reached.

## PANEL MEMBERS

We are looking for experts in the field of forensic neuropsychology.

- **Researchers** who (co)authored at least two peer-reviewed papers on forensic neuropsychology, of which at least one in the past five years
- **Clinicians** who have been working as a (clinical) neuropsychologist in the forensic setting in the last four years.

## PROCEDURE

We try to keep your time investment as brief as possible. This study will consist of three rounds of questionnaires, and one final consensus check. The first round will take about 60 minutes, but the following rounds of questionnaires will take considerably less time. In total, we expect the process will take up to two to three hours of your time, and this will be spaced over six months.

## MORE INFORMATION?

For more information about the purpose of the study, some background on Delphi studies, and an outline of the procedure, simply click on [this link](#) or scan the QR code below. If you would like to participate, this link will lead you to the first questionnaire.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Juliette Hutten at [jhutten@dfzs.nl](mailto:jhutten@dfzs.nl). Otherwise, we hope to welcome you as a participant in this study!



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