

Testing the tests

Conference of the Dutch Neuropsychological Society (NVN) and Neuropsychology division of the Dutch Society for Psychologists (NIP)

Do you recognise the following: you want to use your favourite neuropsychological test, of which you are certain that it best identifies the problems of the patient target group, but you start to doubt when you open the manual, study the reliability and validity, read the COTAN evaluations and see the meagre normative data that is available? Or, that you want to evaluate a treatment with pre- and post-measurements and you wonder what the best measurement instruments are, on the one hand clinically relevant and on the other hand with sufficient methodological rigidity? Or, that you are developing a new test or treatment, but encounter all kinds of obstacles during its implementation? Are these issues important to you? Then this conference may be of interest to you: "Testing the tests; the recalcitrance of clinical practice". This conference is about the (necessary) rigidity from methodological considerations in applying existing tests or treatment protocols and in developing and implementing new tests and treatments, versus the difficulties and limitations, but also possibilities, that you may encounter in clinical practice.

We have prepared a wonderful program with very interesting lectures and a panel discussion in which you can discuss these important topics with experienced clinical neuropsychologists and researchers.

The conference will take place on Friday 14 October at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Maastricht. You need to register separately if you are also attending the SIG-NR meeting of the WFNR conference on 12 and 13 October.

The program includes lectures by Prof. Dr. Jennie Ponsford, Prof. Dr. Marieke Timmerman, Dr. Anne-Fleur Domensino and Dr. Joost Agelink van Rentergem Zandvliet. Prof. Dr. Rudolf Ponds, Dr. Marc Hendriks and Dr. Sietske Sikkes will participate in the panel discussion. In addition, the Early Career Award 2022 will be presented by the NVN. Of course, we will end this great day with a nice drink!

Preliminary Program NVN-NIP conference: **Testing the tests**
October 14th 2022

10.00 – 10.15	Welcome
10.15 – 11.00	Prof. Dr. Marieke Timmerman, University of Groningen <i>Strict offers space. On meaningful requirements for reliability, norms and validity</i>
11.00 – 11.45	Dr. Marjolein Luman, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam <i>Valid and reliable neuropsychological testing: a clinical perspective</i>
11.45 – 12.15	Coffee break
12.15 – 13.00	Panel discussion Prof dr. Rudolf Ponds Amsterdam UMC, Dr. Marc Hendriks, Radboud University, Dr. Sietske Sikkes, Amsterdam UMC. The discussion will be in Dutch.
13.00 – 14.15	Lunch and poster session
14.15 – 14.45	Dr. Joost Agelink van Rentergem, Netherlands Cancer Institute <i>Constructing process models to better understand cognitive problems using online neuropsychological tests</i>
14.45 – 15.15	Dr. Anne Fleur Domensino, Maastricht University <i>Different ways to measure cognition</i>
15.15 – 15.45	Tea break and poster session
15.45 – 16.30	Early Career Award ceremony and pitches
16.30 – 17.15	Prof. dr. Jennie Ponsford, Monash University, Australia <i>Challenges in implementing evidence based practice</i>
17.15 – 18.30	Drinks