

Synopsis - ALLEN COGNITIVE LEVELS

Meeting the Challenges of Client Focused Services.

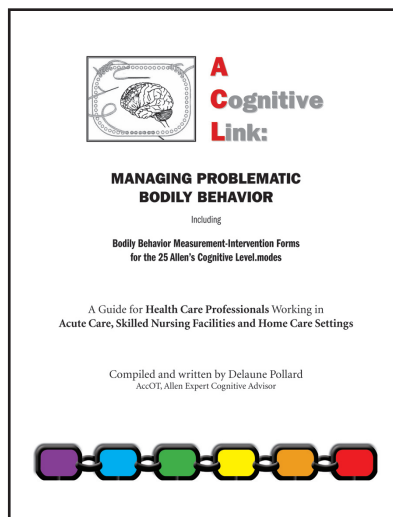
About The Book

This is an easy guide for use when scanning information concerning each Allen Cognitive Level. Mode of Function. It provides information on the primary concepts and terminology, which inter-mesh the Allen Cognitive Levels with the Dynamic Complex Theory, giving a broader perspective and interaction between occupational and physical therapists and the ever-changing experiences of their clients.

The inclusion in the guide of comparison scales, with two pages devoted to describing each of the levels.modes therein, allows users to quickly obtain the information they require. The information on each cognitive level.mode has been colour coded, with a total of six colours, each colour representing a level.mode. Michele Stanley and Debbie Olin, Continuum of Care Consultants, developed the colour coding system to simplify the cognitive levels for personal care staff. For consistency, Claudia Allen (2000) requested that anyone using the ACL as a basis for programming use the same colour coding system.

The guide is a particularly useful tool to use in hospitals, residential care facilities and other health care environments, and when documenting information in official charts. It allows health care professionals to make client focused decisions that provide the 'Just Right Challenge' in the 'Least Restrictive Environment'.

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Synopsis - A COGNITIVE LINK: MANAGING PROBLEMATIC BEHAVIOR

Allows each client to function at his or her best ability.

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This publication explains how bodily behavior can be highly problematic, and how people with cognitive disability become even more difficult to handle when frontal lobe inhibitions are released. The compulsion to preserve “self” dominates all their thoughts and actions, making it so hard for formal and informal caregivers to understand that in a person with cognitive disability, the innate need to be absorbed in self-interest has origins in underlying biological causes.

A Cognitive Link: Managing Problematic Bodily Behavior has been written for health care professionals and caregivers who need to fully understand how bodily behavior can be cognitively restricted by brain pathology and what needs to be done to allow people to function to the best of their ability. There is a fine balance between doing too much and only assisting when an action, or step, is beyond the cognitive ability of a person trying to complete a task.

The book is organized into five chapters with the fifth chapter divided into two parts, the first part explains how to use the individual forms representing each of the Allen Cognitive Level.modes. The second part of the fifth chapter consists of the “**Measurement of Bodily Behavior – Intervention Forms: 25 Allen Cognitive Level.modes.**” To gain a greater understanding of the Allen Cognitive Levels, it is advisable to read this book in conjunction with the publication, “Allen Cognitive Levels: meeting the Challenges of Client Focused Services”. Both books have been written for health care professionals working in the tertiary, primary and community care sectors.

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