
Evaluator-Specific Influences

- Have I had any past adverse consequences from making inaccurate predictions?
- Have I ever had an evaluatee commit suicide? Homicide?
- What are my attitudes on sentencing? Toward the criminal justice system?
- What is my level of confidence in conducting risk assessments?
- How strong is my need for approval? My need to be “right”?
- At any time, did I think what it would mean for me if I was wrong?
- Have colleagues or supervisors ever commented on personal attitudes that seem to affect my work?

Case-Specific Influences

Personal attitudes

- What biases do I have toward people who commit this crime? People who come from this background? This kind of victim?
- At any time, did I find myself feeling emotionally involved in this case? Feeling excessively emotionally detached?
- What kinds of reactions/feelings did I have toward the evaluatee?
- Could the confirmation bias have been in play? Did I review my notes over the course of the case to combat this?
- Could I have fallen subject to illusory correlations between evaluatee responses and risk?

Ambiguity/uncertainty

- What would it mean for me if this person did poorly upon release? Was violent upon release? What would it mean for my employer?
- As I was interpreting the data, was there any time that I paused and was uncertain about making a decision or conclusion?
- Was I sufficiently concerned that I consulted with a colleague or shared information with a significant other? Should I have consulted?
- What was my gut instinct in this case? Did I follow it? Did I question it?

Case limitations

- What are the limitations of my findings? Are they the standard limitations of risk evaluations or were there unique ones?
- What would a good lawyer ask me on cross examination? How would I answer?

External forces

- Am I aware of any external pressures on the outcomes or conclusion of this case? How much has this case been in the media? How has it been portrayed?

Context-Specific Influences

- Are there implicit norms where I work? Do they have a component of conservative prediction?
 - Do co-workers talk in terms of consequences to themselves?
 - Is there an institutional policy that outlines how to deal with ambiguity/uncertainty? That outlines my liability coverage?
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