



“MIXED” BATTERIES: HINTS FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL AND NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL TESTING

# KNOWLEDGE BRIEF

## Test Evaluation codes should be billed based on overall purpose for testing

In situations where you are administering both psychological and neuropsychological testing measures, you should decide which “Test Evaluation Services” (96130/96131 or 96132/96133) codes most closely describe the **predominant referral question or reason for testing**, and then chose that single set of Test Evaluation codes. While you must choose either Psychological or Neuropsychological Evaluation Codes, please note that this does not preclude you from administering both psychological testing measures along with neuropsychological testing measures as part of your test evaluation. *It is the overall purpose or reason for testing that determines which set of Test Evaluation codes should be billed not any particular kind of test administered.*

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### From our Psychological and Neuropsychological Testing Guidelines:

**Psychological Test Evaluation Services** is a set of formal procedures utilizing reliable and validated tests designed to measure areas of intellectual, cognitive emotional, and behavioral functioning, in addition to identifying psychopathology, personality style, interpersonal processes, and adaptive skills.

**Neuropsychological Test Evaluation Services** is a set of formal procedures utilizing reliable and valid tests specifically focused on identifying the presence of brain damage, injury, or dysfunction, and any associated functional deficits.

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