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### **WORKSHOP SERIES**

## **Reading People to Detect Deception and Truthfulness**

#### A Practical Skill-Based Guide

Thursday, September 19, 2019
Canad Inns Polo Park, Winnipeg, Manitoba

Presenter: Dr. Barry Cooper, R. Psych.

Although many professionals are tasked to evaluate the credibility of information they receive, very few receive evidenced-based training in this area. Indeed, research has demonstrated that, without proper training, individuals – irrespective of their professional background – are generally no better than chance when differentiating truths from lies. However, a growing body of research indicates accuracy in evaluating truthfulness can significantly improve with training that combines

knowledge and skills focused on evidence and experience-based verbal and nonverbal clues.

This workshop on *Reading People to Detect Deception and Truthfulness* provides participants with an introduction to research-based, practical, and established approaches to distinguishing truths from lies in a variety of contexts. Learning will be maximized through the use of lecture, video, and group exercises.

This workshop may be of interest to anyone who evaluates truthfulness in a professional capacity including psychologists, psychiatrists, lawyers, judges, social workers, child welfare and child protection workers, law enforcement and related professionals.



Participants in this workshop will:

- Learn about the interaction between effective interviewing and evaluating truthfulness;
- Be exposed to the psychology of truth-telling and lying and an evidenced-based model that provides the framework to evaluate truthfulness;
- Learn about nonverbal and verbal channels in which clues to truthfulness and lying may be revealed, including the face, the voice, body language, verbal style, and verbal content;
- Be provided with an approach to gathering and integrating information in a hypothesis-testing manner in order to make reliable decisions when distinguishing truths from lies.





# About the Presenter



Dr. Barry Cooper is a registered psychologist with the College of Psychologists of British Columbia, residing in Kelowna, BC and practicing primarily clinical-forensic psychology. He has been employed as a senior psychologist for the Correctional Service of Canada, as a psychologist for the Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission, and as the inaugural director of the Interprofessional Clinic at the University of British Columbia-Okanagan. He has served as an adjunct professor at Simon Fraser University and at the University of British Columbia-Okanagan. As well, he was a partner and director of research and development for the Forensic Alliance and was a trainer for the Ekman Group-Training Division. Currently, Dr. Cooper is a clinical instructor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of British Columbia and has an active private practice. He holds contracts to conduct risk assessments and treat offenders within the Correctional Service of Canada and to complete court-ordered assessments for Dangerous Offender hearings via the Forensic Psychiatric Services Commission. As well, Dr. Cooper conducts assessments and consultations for both Crown Counsel and Defence Counsel. He has provided expert testimony as retained by the prosecution and defence in criminal trials in Canada and the United States. His research interests include the interplay between investigative interviewing, memory for crimes, and credibility assessment. Dr. Cooper has provided training on detecting deception to many groups and organizations, including the Los Angeles Police Department's Counter Terrorism Unit, the Transportation Security Administration, the Correctional Service of Canada, lawyers, and the judiciary.

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DATE: Thursday, September 19, 2019, 8:30am – 4:00pm, includes lunch & coffee breaks VENUE: Canad Inns Polo Park 1405 St. Matthews Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba

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2: ADMISSION FEE & PAYMENT INFORMATION:	
□ Early Bird Registration due by or on August 16, 2019 - Cost: \$ 215.00 + GST (Total \$225.75)	
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