Conners CPT 3™, Conners CATA™, and Conners K-CPT 2™: Introduction and Application

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Overview of Presentation

- What is a Continuous Performance Test (CPT)
- Benefits of CPTs
- Conners CPT-3 Overview & Demo
- Conners CATA Overview & Demo
- Standardization & Basic Psychometrics
- Case Study: Interpretation and Report Features
- Brief Overview of Conners K-CPT 2
- Questions







What is a Continuous Performance Test (CPT)?

- Performance/Task based assessment that measures different areas of attention such as sustained attention, inattentiveness, impulsivity, and vigilance
- Provides objective information regarding an individual's attentional difficulties
- Clients presented with repetitive boring task and must maintain their focus over a period of time in order to respond to targets or inhibit response to non-targets





Why should we be interested in utilizing the Conners CPT-3 and Conners CATA?

- · Objective measure
- Performance based task: engages students/patients/clients and helps build rapport
- · Helps pinpoint type of attention problem
- Increases diagnostic and classification accuracy when paired with other assessment measures





Why should I be interested in the CPT-3 and CATA?

Conners 3-P	Conners 3-P & Conners CATA	Conners 3-P & Conners CPT 3	Conners 3-P, Conners CPT 3 & Conners CATA
83.9	88.4	88.4	93.8
86.0	91.2	89.5	94.7
81.8	85.5	87.3	92.7
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Conners Continuous
Performance Test 3rd Edition
(Conners CPT 3TM)





Conners CPT-3 Key Features

- Ages 8+; assesses attention related problems
- 14 minutes; in addition to 1 minute practice test
- Non-X paradigm: ignore X and respond to all other targets
- High proportion of targets to non-targets
- Varied time intervals between targets (1, 2, or 4 sec ISI)
- By-Block statistics (6 blocks with 60 trials each)
- Practice Test
- Can be part of a battery of assessments for ADHD and other disorders/neurological problems characterized by attention problems





What does the Conners CPT-3 measure?

- Assesses attention related problems
- · Examines four dimensions of attention:
 - 1. Inattentiveness
 - 2. Impulsivity
 - 3. Sustained Attention
 - 4. Vigilance
- Validity Check
- Response Style Analysis:
 - 1. Liberal
 - 2. Conservative
 - 3. Balanced





CPT 3 Scores

Variable	Description
С	Assesses Response Style
ď′	Ability to discriminate between targets (non-X) and non-targets (X)
Omissions	Missed targets (non-X)
Commissions	Incorrect responses to non-targets (X)
Perseverations	Random, repetitive, or anticipatory responses (i.e., HRT < 100ms)
Hit Reaction Time (HRT)	Response Speed
HRT SD/Variability	Response Speed Consistency
HRT Block Change	Change in HRT across blocks of trials
HRT ISI Change	Change in HRT across ISIs





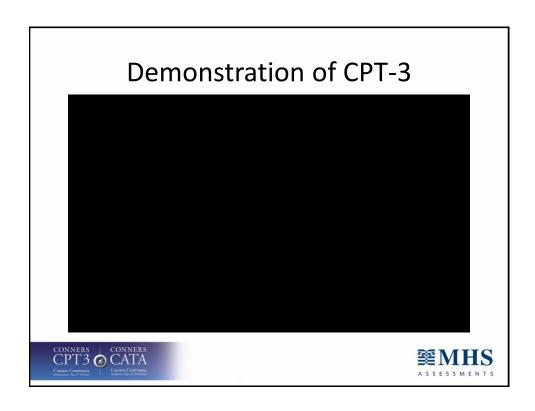
Dimension	Score	Description
	Detectability (d')	Ability to discriminate between targets (non-X)
	Detectability (4)	and non-targets (X)
_	Omissions	Missed targets
Inattentiveness	Commissions	Incorrect responses to non-targets
	Hit Reaction Time (HRT)	Response speed
	HRT Standard Deviation (SD)	Response speed consistency
	Variabilty	Variabilty of response speed consistency
	HRT	Response speed
Impulsivity	Commissions	Incorrect responses to non-targets
	Perseverations	Random or anticipatory responses (i.e., HRT < 100ms)
	HRT Block Change	Change in response speed across blocks of trials
Sustained	Omissions by block	Missed targets by block
Attention	Commissions by block	Incorrect responses to non-targets by block
	HRT Inter-Stimulus	Change in response speed at various ISIs
37: 11	Interval (ISI) Change	
Vigilance	Omissions by ISI	Missed targets by ISI
	Commissions by ISI	Incorrect responses to non-targets by ISI

Administration Hardware and Software Requirements

- Intel Core i3 or equivalent performance (recommended)
- 2 GB Ram
- Windows XP or higher
- 1 available USB port
- 12" monitor or larger with minimum resolution of 1024 x768 pixels
- · Wired mouse or keyboard









Conners Continuous Auditory Test of Attention (Conners CATATM)





CATA Key Features

- Ages 8+
- Assesses auditory attention and attention problems
- Can be used on its own or as a compliment to the CPT-3 in an assessment battery
- 14 minutes, 200 scored trials, divided into 4 blocks
- Consists of two basic sounds: a low tone and a high tone
- On 80 percent of the trials, the low tone is played first followed by a high tone (warned trial). High tones on warned trials are the targets (AX paradigm)





CATA-Key Features

- On remaining 20 percent of the trials, a high tone is played alone without the low tone (unwarned trial). High tones on unwarned trials are non-targets.
- On most warned trials, the two tones are played sequentially in same ear (non-switch trial)
- On some warned trials, the two tones are played in opposite ears (switch trials)





What does the Conners CATA measure?

- Assesses auditory processing and attention-related problems in individuals aged 8 years and older
- Examines three dimensions of attention:
 - 1. Inattentiveness
 - 2. Impulsivity
 - 3. Sustained Attention
- Examines two dimensions of auditory processing:
 - 1. Auditory Laterality
 - 2. Auditory Mobility
- · Validity Check
- Response Style Analysis:
 - 1. Liberal
 - 2. Conservative
 - 3. Balanced





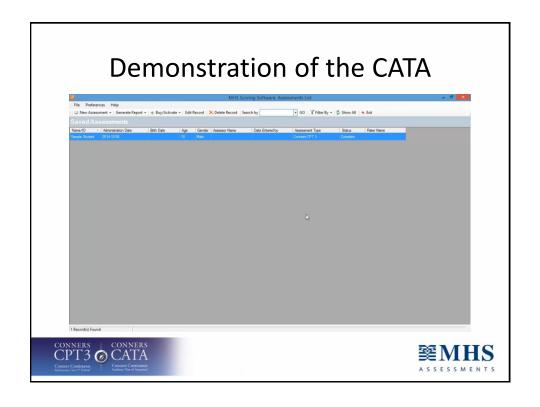
Conners CATA Scores

Variable	Description
С	Assesses Response Style
ď'	Ability to discriminate targets (warned high tone) from non-targets (unwarned high tone)
Omissions	Missed targets (warned high tone)
Commissions	Responded to non-targets (unwarned high tone)
Perseverative Commissions	Responded to low sound/Responded before the high sound
HRT	Hit React Time
HRT SD	Response Speed Consistency
HRT Block Change	Change in HRT across blocks
Laterality	HRT & Hits % Left vs. Right Ear (Preference for left vs. right targets)
Mobility	HRT &Hits% on Switch vs. Non Switch Trials (Ability to switch attention from one ear to another)





Detectability (d') Ability to discriminate targets (warned non-targets (unwarned high tone)	high tone) fr
Inattentiveness Omissions Missed targets Commissions Incorrect responses to non-targets	
Hit Reaction Time (HRT) Response speed	
HRT Standard Deviation (SD) Response speed consistency	
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Perseverative Commissions Incorrect responses before targets	
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Commissions by block Incorrect responses to non-targets by bl	.ock
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Conners CPT 3 & Conners CATA

Standardization & Basic Psychometrics





Sample Descriptions

Conners CPT-3

- Normative Sample:
 - *N* = 1,400 (700 male, 700 female)
 - Spread across the ages
 - 2010 Census Match: Race, Region, (Parental) Education Level
- ADHD Sample:
 - 259 children, 97 adults
 - 62% male
 - 60% medicated

Conners CATA

- Normative Sample:
 - N = 1,080 (540 male, 540 female)
 - Spread across the ages
 - 2010 Census Match: Race, Region, (Parental) Education Level
- ADHD Sample:
 - 193 cases
 - 64% male
 - 63% children (age 8-17)





Conners CPT 3 Split-half Reliability

		Normative		Clin	ical
		Children	Adults	Children	Adults
Variable Type	Measure	N = 775-800	N = 591-600	N = 314-349	N = 134-145
Detectability	ď	.95	.92	.95	.94
	Omissions	.94	.96	.97	.95
Error Type	Commissions	.94	.91	.92	.95
	Perseverations	.90	.73	.95	.90
	HRT	.99	.99	.98	.99
	HRT SD	.96	.95	.97	.97
Reaction Time Statistics	Variability	.80	.73	.85	.79
	Block Change	.90	.91	.80	.91
	ISI Change	.90	.93	.91	.93
Response Style	С	.87	.83	.89	.92





Conners CPT 3 Test-retest Reliability

		Corr*
Variable Type	Measure	N =120
Detectability	ď	.74**
	Omissions	.83**
Error Type	Commissions	.85**
	Perseverations	.48**
	HRT	.89**
	HRT SD	.68**
Reaction Time Statistics	Variability	.56**
	HRT Block Change	.12
	HRT ISI Change	.66**
Response Style	С	.63**

*Range restriction corrections applied





CATA Split-half Reliability

	Normative		Clin	ical	
		Children	Adults	Children	Adults
		N = 565-	N = 462-	N =	N =
Variable Type	Measure	600	480	109-122	66-71
Detectability	ď'	.97	.98	.96	.93
	Omissions	.93	.94	.98	.97
Error Type	Commissions	.99	.99	.93	.88
	Perseverations	.99	.99	.99	.99
	HRT	.91	.93	.98	.99
Reaction Time Statistics	HRT SD	.86	.90	.81	.95
	Block Change	.96	.95	.90	.92
Response Style	С	.90	.93	.91	.90





CATA Test-retest Reliability

		Corr*
Variable Type	Measure	N =120
Detectability	ď'	.74**
	Omissions	.65**
Error Type	Commissions	.72**
	Perseverations	.95**
	HRT	.56**
Reaction Time Statistics	HRT SD	.63**
	HRT Block Change	.12
Response Style	С	.14

*Range restriction corrections applied





Conners CPT 3 - Group Differences

ADHD vs General Population

Measure	-	ADHD	Matched Gen. Pop.	Cohen's d	р
		N = 341-346	N = 340-346		
d'	М	-1.9	-2.3	0.43	< .001
u	SD	1.0	1.0	0.43	7.001
Omissions	М	4.6	3.1	0.25	.001
Offilissions	SD	6.2	6.2	0.25	.001
Commissions	М	50.1	43.0	0.35	< .001
Commissions	SD	20.3	20.3	0.55	
Perseverations	М	1.2	0.5	0.38	< .001
reiseverations	SD	1.7	1.7	0.30	< .001
HRT	М	418.7	410.6	0.10	.186
IIKI	SD	80.9	80.9	0.10	
HRT SD	М	0.305	0.258	0.49	< .001
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Veriebility	М	0.085	0.069	0.42	< .001
Variability	SD	0.038	0.038	0.42	< .001
HRT Block	М	0.008	0.003	0.21	.002
Change	SD	0.023	0.023	0.21	.002
HRT ISI Change	М	0.068	0.059	0.22	.004
HKT ISI Change	SD	0.042	0.042	0.22	.004





Conners CATA - Group Differences

ADHD vs General Population

Scor	Score		Matched General Population	F	p	Cohen's d
		N = 183-193	N = 190-193			
d'	М	-2.4	-3.2	36.6	36.6 < .001	0.57
u	SD	1.5	1.3	30.0	₹.001	0.57
Omissions	М	6.8	5.4	1.2	.274	0.10
Omissions	SD	13.1	12.1	1.2		
	М	19.0	8.2	43.9	< .001	0.63
Commissions	SD	17.9	16.5	43.9	< .001	
Perseverative	М	7.7	3.8	7.6	.006	0.26
Commissions	SD	15.5	14.3	7.6	.006	0.26
HRT	М	693.6	658.1	2.9	.089	0.16
HKI	SD	230.7	212.6	2.9	.009	0.16
HRT SD	М	0.350	0.303	13.8	< .001	0.35
HKI SD	SD	0.140	0.129	13.8	< .001	0.35
LIDT Black Change	М	0.017	0.007	4.0	400	0.40
HRT Block Change	SD	0.082	0.077	1.8 .182	0.13	





7 Step Interpretation Process

Step 1: Determine Validity of the Administration

Step 2: Review Response Style Analysis

Step 3: Examine the Overview of Scores

Step4: Review the Overall Summary and Clinical Likelihood

Step 5: Examine the Individual Dimensions of Attention

Step 6: Integrate Results with Multiple Sources

Step 7: Report Results





Case Study

- Grant S.
- 10-year-old boy
- Fell behind in school work
- Often seemed distracted and had problems remembering learned materials
- Some ADHD in family history
- Tested for attention deficits using CPT 3 and CATA







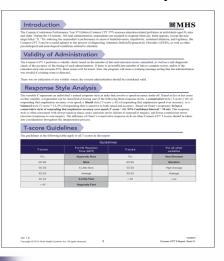
Assessment Plan

- 1. Clinician to review all available information
- 2. Obtain primary and differential diagnosis as well as to establish a general picture of Grant's mental and overall health status
- Administer the following assessments: Conners CPT 3, Conners –March Developmental Questionnaire (CMDQ), Conners 3rd Edition (Conners 3-Parent, Teacher, Self), Conners CATA
- 4. Systematic clinical interview





Case Study







Case Study

• Step 1: Validity of Administration

Validity of Administration

The Conners CPT 3 performs a validity check based on the number of hits and omission errors committed, as well as a self-diagnostic check of the accuracy of the timing of each administration. If there is an insufficient number of hits to compute scores, and/or if the omission error rate exceeds 25%, these issues will be noted. Also, the program will issue a warning message noting that the administration was invalid if a timing issue is detected.

There was no indication of any validity issues; the current administration should be considered valid.





Case Study

• Step 2: Response Style Analysis

Response Style Analysis

The variable C represents an individual's natural response style in tasks that involve a speed-accuracy trade-off. Based on his or her score on this variable, a respondent can be classified as having one of the following three response styles: a conservative style (T-score \geq 60) of responding that emphasizes accuracy over speed; a liberal style (T-score \leq 40) of responding that emphasizes speed over accuracy; or a balanced style (T-score \leq 41-59) of responding that is sensitive to both speed and accuracy. Based on Grant's responses, he has a conservative style of responding that emphasizes accuracy over speed (T-score \leq 60; 90% Confidence Interval \leq 54-66). This response style is often associated with slower reaction times, more omission errors (failure to respond to targets), and fewer commission errors (incorrect responses to non-targets). The influence of Grant's conservative response style on other Conners CPT 3 scores should be taken into consideration throughout the interpretation process.





Step 3: Examine the overall profile Overview of Conners CPT 3 Scores This section provides an overview of Cinner's Conners CPT 3 scores This section provides an overview of Cinner's Conners CPT 3 scores The Reaction Time (RT) Left Glandard Deviation Time (





Step 4: Clinical Likelihood Statement

Summary: Relative to the normative sample, Grant was less able to differentiate targets from non-targets, made more omission errors, made more commission errors, made more commission errors, made more perseverative errors, responded more slowly, displayed less consistency in response speed and displayed more variability in response speed.

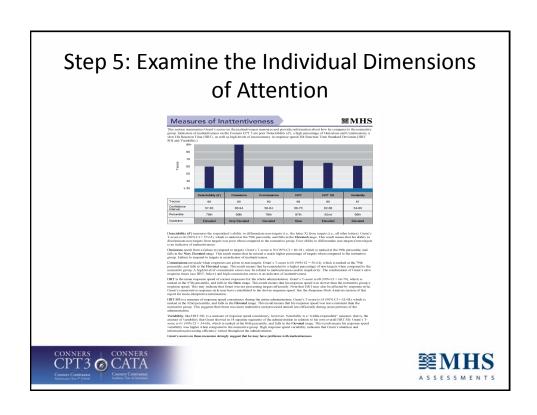
Overall, Grant has a total of 7 atypical T-scores, which is associated with a high likelihood of having a disorder characterized by attention deficits, such as ADHD. Note that other psychological and/or neurological conditions with symptoms of impaired attention can also lead to atypical scores on the Conners CPT 3.

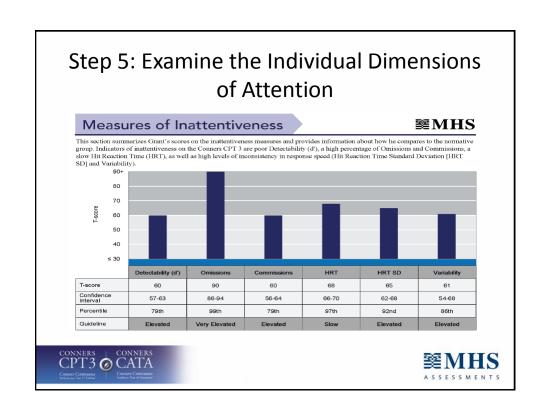
Grant's profile of scores and response pattern indicates that he may have issues related to:

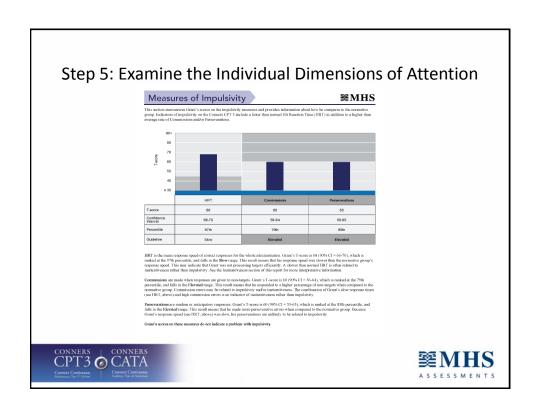
• Inattentiveness (Strong Indication)

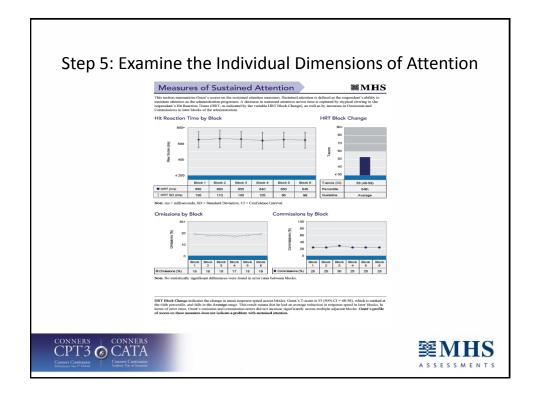


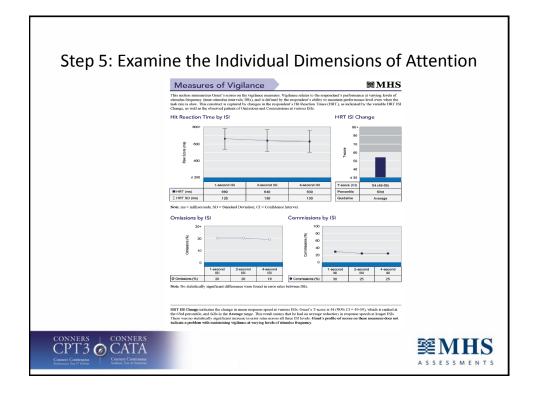












Step 6: Integrate Results from Multiple Sources

- **CPT3:** problems with inattentiveness
- CMDQ: Grant's Uncle diagnosed with ADHD.
- <u>Conner 3 (P, T, S)</u>: Results suggest problems with inattention.
 Impairment items related to schoolwork/grades were endorsed.
- Conners CATA: problems with inattentiveness
- Interview: difficult to get Grant to conduct homework, careless when following instructions. Described Grant as shy and anxious in some situations.
- Observations: Observations during assessment corroborated reports.
- <u>Diagnosis:</u> Utilizing this combined information to guide diagnosis, the clinician decided that Grant met criteria for a primary diagnosis of ADHD Predominantly Inattentive Presentation.





Progress Monitoring

Table 4.9. Conners CPT 3 Pre- and Post-Treatment Scores for Grant S.

Conners CPT 3 Scores	Pre	-treatment Evaluation (Time 1)			
	T-score	Classification	T-score	Classification	Statistical Change
d'	62	Elevated	58	High Average	Time 1 = Time 2
Omissions	74	Very Elevated	58	High Average	Time 1 > Time2*
Commissions	72	Very Elevated	61	Elevated	Time 1 > Time 2*
Perseverations	65	Very Elevated	54	Average	Time 1 > Time 2
HRT	68	Slow	58	A Little Slow	Time 1 > Time 2*
HRT SD	71	Very Elevated	61	Elevated	Time 1 > Time 2
Variability	65	Elevated	60	Elevated	Time 1 = Time 2
HRT Block Change	52	Average	62	Elevated	Time 1 < Time 2
HRT ISI Change	52	Average	63	Elevated	Time 1 < Time 2

Note. The "<" and ">" symbols indicate scores that are statistically significant (p < .10) and/or at least 10 T-score points apart. Statistically significant changes are denoted by the * symbol.





CATA Report

- Very similar structure to the CPT 3 report
- Offers additional information about auditory laterality and mobility



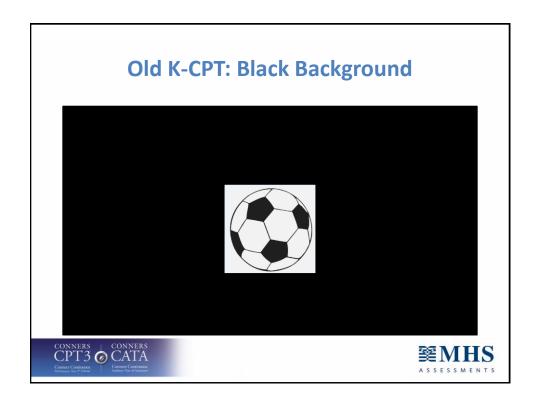


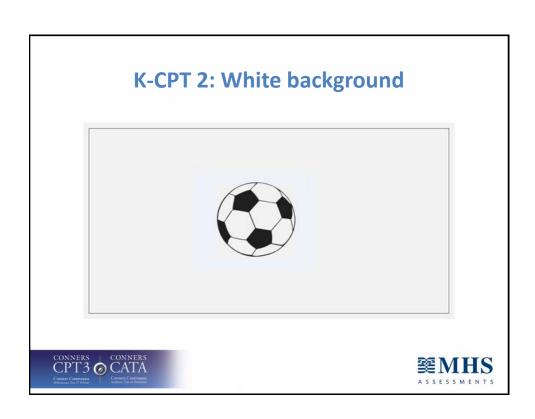
K-CPT 2

- For age 4-7
- 7.5 minutes; 200 trials + 1 dummy trial
- Pictures of objects familiar to young children.
- 75% targets (everything except soccer ball)
- Presentation speed (Inter Stimulus Interval) can vary: 1.5 or 3.0 seconds
- Results can by broken down into blocks: 5 blocks with 40 trials each
- Dimensions of Attention Measured:
 - 1) Inattentiveness
 - 2) Impulsivity
 - 3) Sustained Attention (new)
 - 4) Vigilance (new)









K-CPT 2 vs. CPT 3 K-CPT 2 CPT 3 **Admin Time** 14 minutes 7.5 minutes Pictures of Stimuli letters common objects 1, 2, & 4 seconds 1.5 & 3 seconds ISIs Stimuli Display 500ms 250ms Time CPT3 © CATA

Feel free to contact me at anytime with questions at Amy.Patenaude@mhs.com.



Thank you!



