



Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences Section – 2004

I11 Insanity Acquitees and Their Victims

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After attending this presentation, attendees will understand the diagnostic and demographic characteristics of insanity acquitees; understand the method of violence most commonly used by insanity acquitees; and understand the common relationships between the insanity acquittee and their victims.

This presentation will impact the forensic community and/or humanity by assisting the forensic community's conception of characteristics of individuals that have met the legal criteria of Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity.

Insanity acquitees are a very specialized subset of violent offenders, and this research attempts to identify the diagnostic, demographic and behavioral differences between insanity acquitees and the large population of violent offenders. The literature on this topic is reviewed, and data from a New York State Forensic Hospital is presented.

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