

Letters

Grant's cohort could be very informative. This should include systematic screening for PDDs, particularly since DSM-IV-TR guidelines for diagnosing Schizoid and Schizotypal Personality Disorders require that PDDs be ruled out.

We thank Dr. Grant for this interesting study, and we look forward to further exploratory comparisons of Compulsive Behaviors, Cluster A Disorders, and the adult manifestations of PDDs.

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Reply

Editor:

I read the letter by Drs. Haskins and Silva with great interest. In general, I believe far too little research has been done in the area of kleptomania, and the commentary highlights the paucity of information currently available on this disabling disorder. Based on Drs. Haskin and Silva's analysis, I appreciate how a more detailed diagnostic assessment of developmental history in individuals with kleptomania and what appears to be a schizoid personality disorder may yield important findings about the relationship of pervasive developmental disorders and compulsivity.

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