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**Colin Elliott et al**

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**Alan Bedford and Graham Foulds**

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The term 'personal distress' was used to indicate that concern was with people in distress and with those persons who cause distress in others. Accordingly, the new measures have been devised to assess separately personal illness and personality deviance.

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**David Mulhall**

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**Eva Bene**

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