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# MASQUERADE

*Unmasking Dual Diagnosis*

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*"This book enlightens us into the physical, emotional, cultural, and spiritual aspects of Dual Diagnosis."*

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DR. RICHARD MORIN has studied three famous American authors—Edgar Allen Poe, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and John Berryman from a psychiatric and chemical dependency perspective in an attempt to determine if their traumatic lives resulted from their genius intellect or from a dual diagnosis—a co-existing mental disorder and an addiction disorder. The result of his research is *Masquerade: Unmasking Dual Diagnosis*, an invaluable and enlightening tool for addictionologists, substance abuse therapists, psychiatrists, mental health specialists, juvenile and adult probation and parole officers, Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous sponsors, patients, and family members of dually diagnosed patients.

The Dual Diagnosis concept offers hope for the hopeless that can reshape mental health and substance abuse treatment programs and enable them to provide integrated treatment that works. Statistics show that 37 percent of alcoholics have a dual diagnosis, 53 percent of drug addicts have at least one co-existing mental illness, and of those actually diagnosed with a mental illness, 29 percent abuse alcohol or drugs.

Readers will discover from this sensitively written book that symptoms from a psychiatric disorder often mimic or masquerade the exact symptoms of alcohol and drug addiction disorders. When both conditions are properly diagnosed, it allows clinicians to develop comprehensive, simultaneous treatment plans for these patients, which will lead to full and lasting recovery.

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