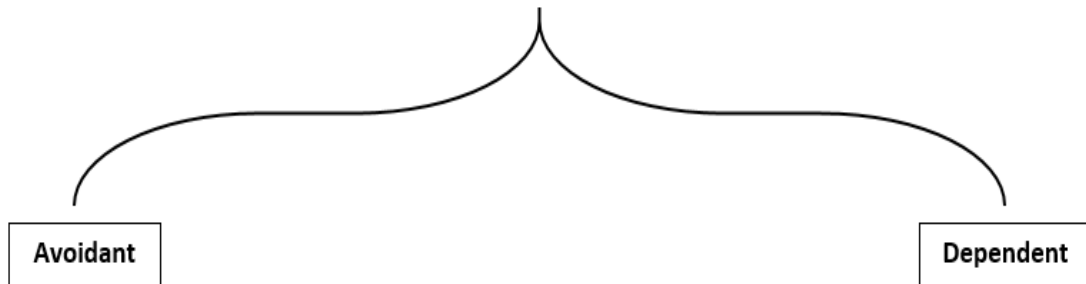


Cluster C

Characterized by anxiety and fear. Ex. Obsessive compulsive personality disorder. It is highly correlated with major depressive disorder and the anxiety disorders. They either develop from: attachment difficulties, traumatic life events, or psychological stress and dysfunction.

Twice more often in men than women



- Social discomfort and avoidance of interpersonal relationships because of fear of criticism or rejection
- They have only emotionally (often become depressed) and socially restricted lives
- Avoiding interaction and often experience significant loneliness
- Treatment focuses on insight and changing behavior

- They feel like they can't live without this person because they're so attached
- Have difficulty making decisions, unable to successfully initiate activity, and fear being alone
- May have impairment of processing sensory input
- Social function is particularly poor
- They all have increased risk of self-harm, and are more likely to be abused by others in lives