

2.11 Functional vision loss

Functional visual loss means no actual vision loss.

There are various tests to prove that functional loss is functional though it is very difficult to prove that vision loss is functional. It is also difficult to differentiate that functional loss is because of malingering or hysteria.

Functional visual loss	
Functional means NO actual vision loss and presenting vision loss is either malingering or hysteria	
Malingering	Hysteria
Malingering is the intentional production of false or grossly exaggerated physical or psychological symptoms, motivated by external incentives such as avoiding <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ military duty▪ avoiding work▪ obtaining financial compensation▪ evading criminal prosecution	Hysteria is a psychological disorder. It is a term used to describe an emotionally charged behavior. Symptoms are <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Blindness▪ Hallucinations▪ Emotional outbursts