



Identification and Prioritization of Dimensions for Empowering Hospitalized Patients in Public Hospitals of Shahid Sadoughi University of Medical Sciences, Yazd

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1. Round 1

1.1 Reviewer 1

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Reviewer:

"The phrase 'This study aimed to present a model for empowering hospitalized patients' should be more specific. Clarify whether the model was developed from scratch or adapted from existing frameworks."

"Clarify what is meant by 'patient engagement.' Define the term and its importance within the context of healthcare outcomes."

"The claim that 'poor access to personal information, communication barriers, and uncertainties are factors that make patients prone to anxiety' needs more robust referencing. Provide citations from recent studies that support this assertion."

"In the section describing confirmatory factor analysis, specify the criteria used to evaluate model fit indices. Explain why certain indices (e.g., RMSEA, GFI) were chosen."

"The statement 'the most important dimensions in the resources and elements domain are nurses, physicians, and the patients themselves' should be explained with more context. What specific roles do these groups play in patient empowerment?"

"The term 'comparative study' is used without further explanation. Specify what was compared and what criteria were used for comparison."

"Table 1 shows model fit indices, but it would be helpful to provide a brief interpretation of each value directly in the table or immediately below it for clarity."

"The sentence 'The experience of the hospital staff, the patient's surrounding living environment, and the patient's capacity and self-confidence are of high importance' should be substantiated with specific examples or case studies."

Authors revised the manuscript and uploaded the updated document.

1.2 Reviewer 2

Date: 03 September 2024

Reviewer:

"Provide more detail on the 'researcher-made questionnaire' mentioned. Specifically, include the process of its development and validation."

"The sentence 'Programs and interventions based on providing self-management information result in positive changes' should be supported by specific examples or references to existing literature."

"In the sentence 'Given the role of patient and family willingness and ability to participate in treatment,' elaborate on how this willingness and ability were measured or assessed in your study."

"Include a justification for the sample size of 230 participants. Was this number determined by a specific statistical method or guideline?"

"The four steps used for data collection should be expanded. Provide more details about how each step was conducted, particularly the systematic review process and the qualitative interviews."

"Expand on the statement 'Shared decision-making between providers and patients is generally considered an effective way to improve the quality of healthcare.' Include evidence from previous studies or meta-analyses."

"The conclusion that 'the willingness and interest of the healthcare staff, the knowledge of the healthcare staff, and the ability and skills of the healthcare staff are crucial' should be linked to specific training programs or interventions that could enhance these attributes."

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2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.