




The Lived Experience of Mothers on the Verge of Separation: A Case Study of Isfahan City

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

Consider expanding the diversity of participants to include a wider range of socioeconomic backgrounds and experiences. Elaborate on the interview process, including any measures taken to ensure the reliability and validity of the data collected. Provide more details on the ethical considerations, especially how participant confidentiality and emotional safety were maintained.

Enhance the presentation of findings by linking them more explicitly to the research questions and objectives.

Discuss how the cultural context of Isfahan city influences the experiences of the mothers and consider implications for other contexts.

Offer detailed recommendations for developing support services tailored to the needs of mothers facing separation.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

Expand on the theoretical framework to better link the findings to existing theories on separation and divorce.

Methodological Detailing: Provide a more detailed description of the phenomenological method, including how participants were selected and the rationale behind the chosen sample size.

Analysis Process: Clarify the steps taken in the data analysis process, including how themes were identified and validated.

Discussion of Findings: Deepen the discussion to compare the findings with existing research, highlighting similarities and differences.

Implications for Practice: Outline specific implications for social workers, counselors, and policymakers.

Limitations and Future Research: Address limitations more comprehensively and suggest directions for future research, including potential quantitative studies to complement these findings.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

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Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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