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Developing a Pre-Marital Counseling Model Based on Compatibility and Interaction: Analyzing Work Adjustment Theory and Its Adaptation to a Pre-Marital Counseling Model

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

"Marriage along with career choice is considered one of the two major decisions individuals make significantly influencing their personal social and spiritual development." This sentence would benefit from citations to support the claim about the significance of marriage and career choices.

"The selection of texts continued until data saturation was achieved which occurred after five sources though the number of texts was increased to 10." Clarify the criteria for achieving data saturation and why the number was increased to 10.

"The guiding role of the family therapist and premarital counselor along with other colleagues in this field was crucial in this process." Provide more detail on how these professionals contributed to the process and their specific roles.

"To ensure the validity and reliability of the results the following points were observed based on Rose and Johnson (2020)." It would be helpful to briefly describe the specific methods used to ensure validity and reliability, such as triangulation or member checking.



"Extracted paragraphs from the texts along with their codes were presented to the supervisors consultants and a qualitative analysis expert." Include more details on how the codes were validated and any discrepancies that were resolved.

"The concept of compatibility is divided into two subcategories: satisfaction and fulfillment." Provide examples or quotes from the analyzed texts to illustrate how these subcategories were identified.

"Overall these three dimensions together facilitate couples' compatibility and family harmony." Discuss potential limitations of focusing only on these three dimensions and any other factors that might also be important.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"On the other hand it can also lead to various problems potentially resulting in a desire for divorce." It would be helpful to include statistics or studies that illustrate the correlation between marital issues and divorce rates to strengthen this statement.

"Various models for marriage counseling have been introduced..." Provide a brief overview of these models and how they differ from the proposed model to highlight the novelty and contribution of your work.

"In recent years many new marriages have ended in divorce; thus the importance of premarital counseling has become increasingly evident to social custodians and the general public." Adding recent divorce statistics would strengthen this argument.

"Future studies should examine the effectiveness and efficiency of this premarital counseling model compared to other models." Suggest specific methodologies or metrics that future studies could use to evaluate this.

"Premarital counselors should assess couples' capability to manage daily marital duties." Recommend specific tools or assessments that counselors could use to measure this capability.

"Considering these results one premarital counseling model for counselors is the compatibility and interaction model." Discuss how this model could be integrated into existing counseling frameworks and any potential challenges.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted. Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.

