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# Women's Advocacy for Social Change through Family Therapy

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# 1. Round 1

#### 1.1. Reviewer 1

## Reviewer:

The introduction presents a broad overview of the article's focus on women's advocacy through family therapy. Consider specifying which particular aspects of feminist principles will be highlighted and their relevance to family therapy. For instance, how do these principles specifically address systemic inequalities in family structures?

Blaisure and Koivunen (2000) are mentioned regarding couple education programs. Provide specific examples of how these programs have successfully challenged patriarchal structures. Include empirical data or case studies that support the effectiveness of these programs.

Dommermuth et al. (2015) discuss gender equality in childbearing practices. Elaborate on how their research translates into practical interventions within family therapy. What specific practices or policies do they propose for improving outcomes for children and parents?

Roberts (1991) addresses difficulties in navigating gender issues in therapy training. Provide specific examples of these difficulties and propose detailed strategies for overcoming them. How can these strategies be implemented in current training programs?

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

#### 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The reference to Aibak (2023) introduces the concept of gender justice in family therapy. It would benefit from a more detailed discussion of how Islamic religious contexts influence the practice of gender justice in family therapy. Provide a clearer explanation of how this integration is operationalized in practical settings.

The citation of Chornodon et al. (2022) is crucial for understanding persistent gender inequalities. Expand on how these inequalities are reflected in the specific periodicals mentioned. Are there examples or case studies that illustrate these reflections?

Fontes et al. (1998) emphasize addressing self-issues for therapy educators. Provide specific strategies or frameworks recommended by Fontes et al. for integrating gender sensitivity into therapy practices. How have these strategies been implemented or tested in real-world scenarios?

Helman and Ratele (2016) address gender constructions in South African families. Detail how feminist family therapy can specifically target the issues of poverty, discrimination, and social exclusion discussed by Helman and Ratele. What are the practical implications for therapy?

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#### 2. Revised

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

