

Examining the Relationship Between Adolescent Perception of the Family Psychosocial Climate with Depression and Suicidal Tendencies in Adolescent Girls

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The introduction (paragraph 2, sentence 2) mentions, "Adolescents are considered an important segment of society due to their crucial role in the future administration of any country." It would be beneficial to expand on how this role impacts the necessity of understanding their psychological development. Including specific examples or citing relevant studies could strengthen the argument.

In the introduction (paragraph 3, sentence 1), the paper states, "The family undoubtedly remains the first and most important social group." The literature review should include a more comprehensive summary of past studies that have investigated the family's role in adolescent mental health. This will provide a clearer context for your study's contribution.

The term "psychosocial climate" is used frequently. Ensure a consistent and clear definition early in the paper (introduction, paragraph 4). Consider creating a subsection dedicated to defining key terms and concepts used throughout the study.

In the Methods section (paragraph 2, sentence 1), it is mentioned that "the research method was quantitative and correlational." Please provide more detail on the design, such as whether it was cross-sectional or longitudinal, and justify why this approach was appropriate for the research questions.

The results section (paragraph 7, Table 2) shows a significant negative correlation between family psychosocial climate and depression. It would be helpful to include effect sizes and discuss the practical significance of these findings in addition to statistical significance.

In the discussion (paragraph 1, sentence 4), the findings are compared to previous studies. A more detailed comparison, including differences in methodology, sample characteristics, or cultural contexts, would provide a deeper understanding of the findings' implications.

The paper references the stress-vulnerability model (Introduction, paragraph 6). Ensure that this model is thoroughly explained, and its application to your study is clear. This will help readers understand the theoretical underpinnings of your research.

The limitations section (paragraph 5) mentions several study limitations. Consider elaborating on how these limitations might affect the generalizability of the findings and suggest ways future research can address these issues.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The sampling method described (Methods, paragraph 3, sentence 2) states, "160 individuals were selected using cluster sampling." Please provide more details on how the clusters were defined and selected, and discuss any potential biases this might introduce.

The description of the Psychosocial Climate Questionnaire (Methods, paragraph 7, sentences 2-3) states its reliability and validity. However, more information on how these metrics were determined in past studies and in your current sample would enhance credibility.

The Methods section (paragraph 4) briefly mentions ethical principles. Expanding this section to include details on how confidentiality, informed consent, and the right to withdraw were specifically addressed would improve transparency and adherence to ethical standards.

The data analysis section (Methods, paragraph 11) mentions using Pearson correlation and regression analysis. Please provide a rationale for choosing these statistical methods and discuss any assumptions or limitations associated with them.

The conclusion (paragraph 3, sentences 1-2) discusses recommendations for families. It would be beneficial to also suggest specific interventions or programs that could be developed based on your findings, providing actionable insights for practitioners.

In the results section (paragraph 3, Table 1), the presentation of descriptive statistics could be clearer. Consider using graphical representations, such as bar charts or histograms, to make the data more accessible.

Throughout the paper, ensure that the distinction between correlation and causation is maintained, particularly in the discussion (paragraph 2, sentence 1). Clearly state that the study identifies relationships rather than causative links.

The study focuses on a specific population in Torbat-e Jam (Methods, paragraph 2, sentence 1). Discussing how cultural factors might influence the generalizability of the findings to other populations would provide a more nuanced interpretation.

The conclusion (paragraph 5) suggests areas for future research. Expanding on this section with more specific research questions or hypotheses that emerged from your findings would be helpful for guiding subsequent studies.

Ensure that all hypotheses are clearly stated in the introduction and aligned with the research questions (Introduction, paragraph 1). This will provide a clear roadmap for the reader to follow throughout the paper.

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2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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