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Presenting a Structural Model of Resilience Based on Psychological Optimism with the Mediating Role of Cognitive Emotion Regulation Strategies in Parents of Children with Cancer

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

"While the introduction effectively outlines the importance of studying resilience and optimism in parents of children with cancer, it lacks a clear statement on the research gap. Specify what previous studies have missed and how this study addresses those gaps."

"The description of the Resilience Questionnaire is thorough, yet it would be beneficial to briefly mention why this specific tool was chosen over others. This can help justify the methodological choices made."

"Provide more details on how the questionnaires were administered and any measures taken to ensure data accuracy and participant honesty. This information is crucial for evaluating the reliability of the collected data."

"The statistical methods are appropriate, but the rationale for choosing structural equation modeling (SEM) over other methods should be elaborated. Discuss why SEM was the best fit for this study's objectives and data structure."

"The discussion effectively ties the results to previous research. However, it could benefit from a deeper exploration of the theoretical implications of the findings. How do these results expand or challenge existing theories on resilience and optimism?"

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"The theoretical framework could be strengthened by including more recent references and studies related to resilience and cognitive emotion regulation. This would provide a more comprehensive background and justify the chosen variables."

"The sampling method and sample size are described well, but more information on the demographic characteristics of the participants would enhance the study's context. Include details on age, socioeconomic status, and educational background of the parents."

"The descriptive statistics table is comprehensive. However, consider adding a brief narrative to highlight the key findings from this table. This helps in guiding the reader through the data more effectively."

"The interpretation of standardized path coefficients is clear, but discussing the practical significance of these coefficients in the context of psychological interventions for parents would add depth to the analysis."

"The bootstrap results for indirect paths are informative, but the discussion section should explore possible reasons for why cognitive emotion regulation strategies did not mediate the relationship as expected. This can provide insights for future research."

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2. Revised

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

