

## Cultural Beliefs and Family Well-being: A Narrative Review


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## 1. Round 1

### 1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The review covers a broad spectrum of literature, demonstrating a thorough search process. Incorporating literature that critiques or provides alternative viewpoints on the influence of cultural beliefs on family well-being could enrich the review by presenting a more balanced perspective.

The descriptive narrative approach is appropriate for the review's aims. A more detailed description of the search strategy, including specific keywords and search strings, could enhance transparency and reproducibility.

The manuscript demonstrates an awareness of cultural sensitivity. Emphasizing how cultural competence can be developed and applied by healthcare and social support practitioners would provide practical value to the readers.

While the manuscript calls for more culturally specific and longitudinal studies, outlining potential research questions or proposing specific methodologies for future research could guide subsequent work in this area.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

### 1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The synthesis of literature is comprehensive, highlighting the significant influence of cultural beliefs on family well-being. Employing thematic analysis to organize findings around central themes could improve readability and the review's overall coherence.

The review makes a compelling case for integrating cultural beliefs into healthcare and social support systems. Providing examples of successful interventions or programs that have incorporated cultural beliefs effectively could offer practical guidance for practitioners.

The review could benefit from a more critical evaluation of the included studies, such as discussing the quality of evidence and any potential biases or limitations in the research designs.

The manuscript is generally well-written, but some sections could be streamlined for clarity and conciseness. Reducing repetition and more clearly distinguishing between the review's findings and the literature would help maintain the reader's focus.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

## **2. Revised**

Editor's decision: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.