





Cultural Narratives and Their Impact on Family Mental Health

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

Strengthen the discussion by including a more detailed comparison of your findings with existing literature on cultural narratives and mental health. Highlight both concordances and discrepancies to contextualize your study within the broader field.

Provide more detailed examples or case studies from the interviews that illustrate the specific impact of cultural narratives on mental health within distinct cultures. This would add depth to the themes identified and enhance the paper's contribution to understanding cultural nuances.

Delve deeper into the interpretation of cultural conflict and identity crisis, discussing the psychological and sociological theories that might explain these findings. This could enrich the analysis and offer more nuanced insights into the coping mechanisms employed by families.

Explore the role of gender and age in shaping the impact of cultural narratives on family mental health. Analyzing data with attention to these demographics could uncover important nuances in how cultural stigma and support systems operate.

Expand on the practical implications of your findings for mental health practitioners. Provide specific recommendations for culturally sensitive practices and policies that could help mitigate the negative impacts of cultural stigma on family mental health.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

Expand on the inclusion criteria to specify cultural backgrounds of participants, potentially improving the study's depth regarding cultural narratives' impacts. Detailing the recruitment process could enhance understanding of the cultural diversity represented.

Provide a more detailed account of how the interview guide was developed, including any pilot testing with participants from diverse cultural backgrounds to ensure comprehensiveness and sensitivity to varied cultural narratives.

Elaborate on the process of determining theoretical saturation. Given the complex nature of cultural narratives, discussing any challenges in achieving saturation and how they were addressed would strengthen the research's methodological rigor.

Enhance the description of the thematic analysis process by including examples of how codes were derived from the data and refined into themes. Discussing inter-coder reliability checks would also strengthen the credibility of the analysis.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

2. Revised

Editor's decision: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.