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Predictors of Parenting Stress: The Roles of Family Bonding and Commitment

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The title "Predictors of Parenting Stress: The Roles of Family Bonding and Commitment" is clear, but consider specifying the sample population to add context, e.g., "Predictors of Parenting Stress Among Parents of Children Under 18: The Roles of Family Bonding and Commitment".

In the abstract, under methods, specify the type of correlation analysis and regression used, such as "Pearson correlation and multiple linear regression analyses were conducted...". This would provide clarity on the statistical methods used.

Clarify the sampling method used. The paper mentions participants were "recruited from various community centers, schools, and online parenting forums". Specify if this was a convenience sample, and discuss any potential biases this might introduce.

While the PSI, FBM, and FCS are established tools, discuss the validity and reliability of these measures in the current study's context, including any pretesting or pilot studies conducted.

In the data analysis section, provide more detail on how assumptions for linear regression (linearity, homoscedasticity, independence, and normality) were tested and met.

The VIF values provided are good, but briefly explain what VIF is and why values below 10 are considered acceptable to ensure readers understand the implications.

The descriptive statistics (Table 1) are useful, but include a discussion on what these statistics indicate about the sample population.

In the results section, Table 2 shows correlations. Discuss the implications of these correlations in more detail. For example, explain why a significant negative correlation between family bonding and parenting stress is important.

In Table 4, provide a brief explanation of what the B, SE, β , t, and p values represent and why they are significant. For instance, explain the practical significance of the beta values.

Response: Revised and uploaded the new document.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

In the introduction, paragraph 2, provide more depth on the previous studies. For example, instead of "Research by Doohan et al. (2009) highlights the importance...", provide specific findings from the study and how they relate to your research.

Define key terms such as "family bonding" and "family commitment" early in the introduction. This would help readers understand the constructs as they read through the article.

In the Methods section, provide more details about the sample demographics. For instance, specify the socioeconomic status, education level, and marital status of participants, as these can influence parenting stress.

Discuss the effect size in the regression model ($R^2 = 0.45$). Explain what it means in practical terms, e.g., "Family bonding and commitment explain 45% of the variance in parenting stress, which is a substantial proportion."

In the discussion section, make it clear that causality cannot be inferred due to the cross-sectional design, and suggest longitudinal studies to better understand causality.

Discuss how cultural factors might influence family bonding, commitment, and parenting stress. This is particularly relevant if the study sample includes diverse cultural backgrounds.

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2. Revised

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

