

The Relationship between Emotional Intelligence and Marital Conflicts Using Actor-Partner Interdependence Model

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The introduction effectively outlines the importance of EI in marital relationships. Expanding the literature review to include theoretical perspectives on EI's role within the broader context of interpersonal relationship theories could deepen the reader's understanding.

A more explicit statement of the research gaps this study aims to address would help clarify its unique contribution.

The use of APIM is well-justified, and the results are clearly presented. Including a more detailed explanation of the model's assumptions and its suitability for this particular research question could enhance the reader's comprehension.

A deeper statistical analysis, possibly exploring mediating or moderating variables, could offer more nuanced insights into the complex relationships between EI and marital conflicts.

While the discussion aligns well with the findings, integrating additional comparative analysis with existing literature would provide a richer context for interpreting the results.

The practical implications for clinicians and relationship counselors are mentioned, but concrete suggestions or developed programs based on the findings could offer valuable resources for practitioners.

Response: Revised.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The cross-sectional design and convenience sampling are adequately described, but the paper would benefit from a discussion on the limitations these methods impose on the generalizability and causal inferences of the findings.

Details on the operationalization of variables and any potential biases inherent in self-report measures could be elaborated to strengthen the methodological rigor.

The acknowledgment of limitations is appreciated; however, a more thorough exploration of how these limitations could impact the findings and suggestions for overcoming them in future research would be beneficial.

Proposing specific avenues for future research, particularly longitudinal studies or those incorporating experimental designs, would be useful for advancing the field.

The manuscript is generally well-written. However, attention to minor grammatical errors and ensuring consistency in terminology would improve the clarity and professionalism of the text.

Consideration could be given to structuring the paper to more distinctly separate findings from the discussion, aiding in readability and impact.

Response: Revised.

2. Revised

Editor's decision: Accepted.

Editor in Chief's decision: Accepted.