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Exploring the Influence of Psychological and Spiritual Factors on Job Self-Efficacy in Individuals with Hearing Impairments

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

"The global prevalence of hearing impairment underscores the critical need for research in this area..." - Provide recent global statistics or references to emphasize the prevalence and importance of this issue.

"Self-efficacy defined as an individual's belief in their ability to succeed in specific situations..." - Include more detailed explanations or examples of how self-efficacy specifically impacts individuals with hearing impairments.

"The collected data were analyzed using IBM SPSS Statistics version 27..." - Describe any additional statistical tests or corrections (e.g., for multiple comparisons) used in the analysis.

"The study sample comprised 300 adults with hearing impairments..." - Provide a more detailed breakdown of the participants' demographics, such as socioeconomic status and degree of hearing impairment.

"Descriptive Statistics" - Include measures of central tendency and variability for all key variables, not just the means and standard deviations.



"The correlation between job self-efficacy and sense of coherence was r = 0.53 (p < 0.01)..." - Discuss the practical significance of these correlations in addition to the statistical significance.

"Multivariate Regression Results" - Provide more detail on the interpretation of the regression coefficients and their implications for practice.

Authors revised the manuscript and uploaded the document.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

"Sense of coherence (SOC) is a theoretical construct developed by Antonovsky (1987)..." - Consider adding more recent studies or reviews on SOC to provide updated context and relevance.

"Engaging in physical activities has been shown to alleviate some of the negative impacts of hearing impairment..." - Clarify which physical activities are most beneficial and include specific studies to support these claims.

"The General Self-Efficacy Scale (GSE) was developed by Matthias Jerusalem and Ralf Schwarzer in 1981..." - Justify the selection of the GSE over other self-efficacy measures, and discuss its relevance to the study population.

"The SOC-13 has demonstrated strong psychometric properties..." - Include specific psychometric data (e.g., reliability coefficients) from the current study to support this claim.

"The findings revealed that both sense of coherence and spiritual well-being are significant predictors of job self-efficacy..."

- Discuss potential mechanisms through which SOC and spiritual well-being influence job self-efficacy.

"By identifying sense of coherence and spiritual well-being as key predictors of job self-efficacy..." - Include limitations of the predictive model, such as any unmeasured variables that might affect the results.

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2. Revised

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