


Qualitative Study of the Wishes of the Elderly in Tehran

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The phenomenological approach is well-chosen for exploring elderly wishes. However, the methodology section needs expansion on participant selection criteria to ensure representativeness and to address potential biases in sample selection.

While the study employs a detailed interpretive analysis method, it would benefit from a more rigorous description of the analysis process, including how themes were identified and validated.

The interpretation of findings is insightful but requires deeper analysis. Specifically, exploring how these wishes align with or diverge from existing literature on elderly well-being and how cultural contexts influence these wishes would enrich the discussion.

The study suggests health maintenance and family support should be prioritized in care strategies. This recommendation could be further developed by providing specific, actionable strategies for policymakers and practitioners.

The limitations section should address the study's scope within a specific cultural and geographical context and its implications for generalizability. Additionally, future research directions could include quantitative studies to measure the prevalence and intensity of these wishes across different populations.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

1.2. *Reviewer 2*

Reviewer:

Refine the findings section for greater clarity on the relationship between identified wishes and existing research.
Justify the selection of the phenomenological analysis method in relation to the study's goals.
Strengthen the discussion by connecting findings to potential interventions or support strategies more explicitly.
Detail the practical implications for program development or policy initiatives.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

2. Revised

Editor's decision after revisions: Accepted.

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