





The Effectiveness of Emotional Freedom Techniques on Reducing Symptoms of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder among Women Affected by Marital Infidelity

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The selection criteria for participants and the rationale for the specific number of sessions (6 sessions) should be elaborated further. Clarifying these choices can enhance the reproducibility of the study and the understanding of its design.

While the visual analysis and the use of the Reliable Change Index are appropriate, incorporating additional statistical analyses could strengthen the findings. Consider employing inferential statistics to quantify the effect size of the intervention and to assess the statistical significance of the changes observed.

Expand the discussion to include potential mechanisms through which EFT reduces PTSD symptoms. This exploration could involve linking the findings to theories of emotional regulation and trauma recovery.

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1.2. *Reviewer 2*

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The description of the intervention and the data analysis methods need to be more detailed. For instance, the specific content and activities of each EFT session should be outlined to allow for replication. Furthermore, the study would benefit from a more robust statistical analysis approach to assess the effectiveness of the intervention.

While the article does an excellent job of situating the study within existing research, it could benefit from a more detailed discussion of previous studies that have examined alternative treatments for PTSD symptoms arising from similar trauma contexts. This comparison could further justify the unique contribution of your study.

The article mentions the non-random selection of participants as a limitation. Further elaboration on how this limitation might affect the generalizability of the findings and potential strategies for mitigating such effects in future research would be beneficial.

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