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Revision (0)

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REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (0) — 14 Jan 2021

Dear EIC
The reviewer(s) have recommended publication, but also suggest some minor revisions to the manuscript. Therefore, I invite the author to respond to the reviewer(s)' comments and revise his manuscript.
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Your paper has been evaluated by external peer reviewers. Please do your revisions according to the reviewers' comments. I appreciate you to do the revisions as soon as possible by using the track changes mode in MS Word and using colored text.
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comments	Response
There was a positive and significant correlation between the score of social support and what?	There was a positive and significant correlation between the score of social support and the total score of stress, problem-oriented and avoidance-oriented stress. According to the regression analysis there was a significant relationship between the score of coping strategies and educational level.
Keywords should be in alphabetical order	Coping Strategies, COVID-19, Stress, Social Support.
“Quarantine of rescued patients” or “quarantine of infected patients”?	and the quarantine of discharged patients and their life difficulties, the present study was conducted to determine the relationship between coping strategies and social support in Covid-19 Survivors.
You have written about “participants and data collection”, “questionnaires”, and “statistical analysis”. But you did not explain the details of the study method. Where did the subjects fill out the questionnaires? Did they fill out the questionnaires themselves or did a questioner do it? Who distributed the questionnaires and who collected them? How were they collected? Were the questionnaires named or anonymous? Filled in person or online?	. After obtaining verbal consent from the participants, the questionnaires were completed by telephone by two trained questionnaires.
You wrote in the previous paragraph about patients being quarantined. Have these rescued patients been quarantined after being rescued?	Out of 160 patients with definite diagnosis of Covid-19 who had undergone treatment and were discharged from Shahid Sadoughi Hospital in Yazd during the study period, 158 patients completed the questionnaires. These participants were supposed to be quarantined at home for two weeks after discharge
Terms appearing frequently (three or more times) within a paper may be abbreviated, but should be spelled out only at first citation, with the abbreviation following in parentheses	CISS-48 has three dimensions: task-oriented, emotion-oriented, and avoidance-oriented strategies that was developed by Endler and Parker in 1990 and consists of 48 items
The Wax Social Support Questionnaire is a questionnaire, not a scale.	Questionnaire

In the full text of an original article, the maximum number of Illustrations or tables are 5.	Tables 2 and 3 were merged
Write the table numbers in English.	Amendments were
Do you mean secondary school education?	Amendments were
Diploma is a general term meaning a degree. Do you mean a high school diploma?	Amendments were
Use the official currency of the country and preferably write the equivalent in international currency (dollars) (as a footnote in the table).	Amendments were
How can you make such an argument?	Men seem to use more task stress strategies based on their psychosocial characteristics, It seems that men are logical than women, also, younger people, persons with higher education and better economic status used more task-oriented coping strategies
How can you make such an argument?	people with higher education because of wider communication and patients with better financial status because of having extra chance in attracting others' attention, had more family support.
By who?	by Strickland
Why did you put these two factors together?	It is probable that due to the frequent exposure to stressful conditions, including religious beliefs of patients in our society
Remove parentheses.	and 34.5% shared with others. Family care was increased in 64.7%
This sentence is incomprehensible.	and these behaviors in combination with the support dimensions modify the stress response.
This sentence needs editing	In order to promote mental health, it is necessary to carry out interventions related to teaching coping strategies and

	seeking social support and also reducing patients' concern about social stigma reducing sensitivity to social labels. Psychologists should communicate with hospitalized patients with COVID-19 to help them solve their cognitive, marriage and family problems
Conclusions should be completely derived from the findings. Some parts of this conclusion have nothing to do with the study findings.	Due to the contagiousness and unknown complications of COVID- 19, normal stress is usual in the patients and their families but, it is important that patients decide to deal with this event logically. Family Support and not leaving patients alone, as well as understanding their worries and feelings, makes it easier for them to cope with their problem and accept their condition. Focusing on the type of coping strategy, as well as emphasizing family support for Covid-19 survivors, have a significant impact on reducing their vulnerability to the disease.
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REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (1) 28 Jan 2021

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The revised manuscript needs some more revisions.
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REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (1) 28 Jan 2021

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Comments	Responses
There was a positive and significant correlation between the score of social support and what?	This comment has been modified
The conclusion must be based on the results.	According to the results of the study, by educating and advising with patient with COVID- 19 on problem-based coping strategies, the stresses can be reduced. Also, due to Due to the high level of social support provided by the family, planning the family-centered nursing interventions and participating the family members in the care of a patient with COVID- 19 is important.
Arrange in alphabetical order.	Coping Strategies, COVID-19, Social Support, Stress,
Explain about these patients. Why were they discharged? Were they improved? If they recovered, why were they quarantined? If they did not recover, why were they discharged?	. It is worth mentioning; According to COVID-19 disease diagnostic and treatment protocols, patients who do not need to receive medication at the hospital must be quarantined at home for 14 days
Use the word questioner instead of questionnaire.	After obtaining verbal consent from the participants, the questionnaires were completed by telephone by two trained questioner
Citation needed.	This comment was made(27)
Write “validity and reliability of the Persian version of this questionnaire” instead of “validity and reliability of this questionnaire”.	This comment was made
Citation needed.	This comment was made(28)
Write “of the Persian translation of this questionnaire” instead of “of this questionnaire”.	This comment was made
The second footnote should be changed to “120-200 $”.	This comment was made
Are religious beliefs stressful conditions?	This sentence was based on the author's perception of the results and was deleted because there was no reference to it.
Are more logical	This sentence is the result of the author's own interpretation based on the findings.
The conclusion must be based on the results.	According to the findings of the present study, by enriching coping skills, especially the use of problem-based coping techniques in patients with COVID-19, can significantly reduce the stress and strain of illness and care. Also educate patients related to patients in this area, in order to further support patients and reduce their stress. Due to the contagiousness and unknown complications of COVID- 19, normal stress is usual in the patients and their families but, it is

	important that patients decide to deal with this event logically. Family Support and not leaving patients alone, as well as understanding their worries and feelings, makes it easier for them to cope with their problem and accept their condition. Focusing on the type of coping strategy, as well as emphasizing family support for Covid-19COVID-19 survivors, have a significant impact on reducing their vulnerability to the disease.
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Correct as the following: By educating and counseling patients with COVID-19 about problem-based coping strategies, their stress can be reduced.	Was replaced
Correct as the following: Due to the advent of SARS-CoV-2 and the lack of definitive treatment for it and the need for quarantine of patients who do not need to continue hospitalization and their life problems, the present study was conducted to determine the relationship between coping strategies and social support in these patients.	Was replaced
The authors of the reference are not 27 Voux et al.	Reference Voux does not have a journal name and was not found in searches. Internal consistency was reported in the Safavid study quoted by Voux et al. And ranged from 0.83 to 0.90 (27)
Captions should briefly explain the tables should be understandable without reference to the text.	Table 1 : The association of stress coping Strategies, social support and demographic characteristics Table 2: Mean of stress coping strategies and Social support among participants Table 3: Pearson correlation ofstress coping strategies and social support dimensions Table 4: Regression analysis of stress coping strategies predicted by social support in patients Table 5: Regression analysis of stress coping predicted by demographic characteristics
These sentences need to be edited literally.	According to the present study, the stress and strain of the disease could significantly reduce by improving coping skills, especially problem-based coping techniques, in COVID- 19 patients. Due to the high contagiousness and unknown complications of COVID- 19, stress might consider a common response to the unexperienced situations but it is important that patients and their families learn how to manage stress logically
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Mehran Zarghami: EIC | **Revision** (3) 7 Mar 2021

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We have completed our review of your manuscript and are pleased to inform you that it is considered for publication in the IJPBS. Note that the publication of your article will only be finalized upon your cooperation with the editorial processing.
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