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Peer Review Report for "Type D Personality and Its Relationship with Perceived Stress Among Women with Breast Cancer Attending a Referral Center in Northern Iran in 2017"

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Revision (0)

Here, you can see the **Reviewers**, **Associate Editors** and **EICs'** comments from the beginning to the end of the revision process.

REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (0) — 10 Aug 2019

Dear AE,
- Please write sampling details,
- Please write the validity of the D personality inventory in Iran.
- Please present the internal reliability of the two instruments in the present study.
- Nonrandom sampling is a limitation, please mention it at the end of the paper.
- What is the interpretation of the personality inventory? please mention it.

Thanks

REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (0) — 10 Dec 2019

Dear AE,
1- If The purpose of this study is to estimate the frequency of type D personality,it should be considered in title
2- Exclusion and inclusion criteria is not clear.
Thanks

REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (0) 7 Feb 2020

Dear AE,
I found the subject interesting, but I think some revisions are needed in the manuscript:
1- The time and place of the study should be mentioned in the title of cross-sectional studies.
2- I think the description of type D personality characteristics in more detail could improve the "background".
3- "Objective " should be revised. The rationale of the study is mentioned in this part and should be moved to the "background".
4- References need some editions. The page number has not been mentioned in reference number 2. Please mentioned DOI and PMID of the references.
My decision: minor revision
Best regards

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (0) 7 Feb 2020

Dear EIC,
I received comments from reviewers have expertized on the manuscript. Although the reviewers found strengths in your paper, they also identified some concerns and majority of them believed that the paper needs some revisions. Thus I concluded the manuscript has the potential of consideration for publication after satisfactorily addressing reviewers concerns.
My decision: minor revision
sincerely yours

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (0) 8 Feb 2020

Dear Authors,
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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We look forward to receiving your revised manuscript. Thank you for sending your work to the Iranian Journal of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences.
Thanks

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Dear Editor – in - chief,

Thank you for your valuable peer review. You can see my response to reviewer's comments one-by-one below:

Reviewer 1:

1- Time and place of the study has been mentioned in the title of manuscript.
2- Type D personality characteristics has been described in more details in "background".
3- "Objective " has been revised completely.
4-Page number has been mentioned in reference number 2 as an electronic number. DOI and PubMed number or PMID of all references has been mentioned..

Reviewer 2:
Sampling details has been mentioned in "methods" section.
Validity of the D personality scale in Iran has been presented in a new reference(17).
Internal consistency of the two instruments in the current study has been calculated and presented at the end of "findings" section .
Convenience sampling as a kind of non-random sampling has been declared as a limitation at the end of "discussion" section
Interpretation of the DS14 has been mentioned in "method" section.

Reviewer 3:
The purpose of this study was not to estimate the prevalence of Type D personality. In fact the frequency of quaternary DS14 score levels (from lower than 14 to higher than 42) among breast cancer patients has been calculated and presented in this study.
Exclusion and inclusion criteria has been revised and completed in "method" section.

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REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (1) 23 May 2020

Dear AE,
I think necessary revisions have been done and the manuscript could be published in the journal.
Best regards

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (1) 23 May 2020

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.
Kind regards,

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (1) 3 Jun 2020

Dear Authors,
Thank you for your recent revisions.
Your paper has now been evaluated again. According to the reviewers' and associate editor's comments it needs some more revisions. Please do your revisions according to these 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.
Thanks

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Revision (2)

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While thanking the useful points of view of the esteemed referee, the correction of the following items is confirmed:

- Introduction results section edited.

- The numbering of different sections of the full text has been corrected.

- The reliability of the questionnaires in this study was entered in the desired section.

- The conclusion of the study was rewritten.

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Revision (2)

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REFEREE: Reviewer | **Revision** (2) 17 Jun 2020

Dear AE,
I think necessary revisions have been done and the manuscript could be published in the journal.
Best regards

REFEREE: Associate Editor | **Revision** (2) 17 Jun 2020

Dear EIC,
I received comments from reviewers believed that necessary revisions have been done , so I think the manuscript could be published in Iranian journal of psychiatry and behavioral sciences.
sincerely yours

REFEREE: EIC | **Revision** (2) 11 Jul 2020

Dear Authros,
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.
Thank you for your fine contribution. On behalf of the Editors of IJPBS, we look forward to your continued contributions to the Journal.
Regards