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1 Original submission

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Associate Editor

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Dear EIC,
I thank the authors and express my appreciation to the researchers. The manuscript is a valuable piece of research. But some revisions are needed. The authors should revise it based on the following comments:
1-In the abstract, the background section is too long.
2-Please consult more recent and updated articles for your study instead of old references in order to improve the quality of the rationale behind your study.
3-Some sentences lack references. All sentences quoted from other articles must have references at the end.

Editor-in-Chief

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Dear Author,
Thank you for submitting the article. It needs some revision. Please revise it based on the reviewers' and AE's comments.

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Revision 1

AUTHORS' RESPONSE TO REVIEWERS

Authors' reply to reviewers

The next pages contain the authors' point-by-point reply to the comments of this revision round, as submitted with the revised manuscript. It is published as the authors wrote it.

Dear EIC.

First First, I would like to appreciate you for spending your valuable time in reviewing our manuscript.

Based on you and your colleagues' valuable comments, we have edited the whole manuscript. Still, we are fully ready for any potential further amendments or revisions.

Reviewer1:

1-line76-77. Change to explained the aim of study and the informed consent was obtained by parents

Answer: it was corrected

2-QOL questionnaire validity has not been mentioned

Answer: it has been mentioned in the text

3-side effect of therapy instead of treatment complication

Answer: it has been corrected

4-what are the minimum and maximum score of quality of life of children. Please mention it .Mean total score for your participant is 50/22 Is it high low or intermediate score?

Answer: the minimum and maximum score of quality of life of children has been indicated in the text.

5-what about total family performance Score? What is the mean total score? (Minimum and maximum in total 67 cases) Without considering demographic characteristics

Answer: it has been mentioned in the text

6-line 165-167 it is better change to increase awareness about emotional damage to family members can improve quality of life of patients with cancer

Answer: it has been corrected

Associate Editor 1:

1-In abstract, background part is too long.

Answer: it has been shortened as possible

2-Please, investigate more recently articles for your study as well as updated ones instead of old references, in order to improve the quality of purpose behind your study.

answer: it has been done as much as possible

3-Some sentences lack references. All sentences quoted from other articles must have references at the end of themselves.

Answer: it has been corrected

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Associate Editor

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Dear Editor-in-Chief,

I would like to extend my gratitude to the authors for their contribution and commend the researchers for their valuable work presented in the manuscript. It has been revised and is now acceptable.

Editor-in-Chief

ACCEPT 15 Mar 2025

Dear Authors,
Thank you for your explanation, and I find your manuscript acceptable.