

Identification and Ranking of Factors Influencing Parental Role Conflict in One-Child Families

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

The manuscript lacks an explicit theoretical framework (e.g., role strain theory, family systems theory, or ecological systems theory). The introduction should close with a short paragraph identifying the guiding theory and explaining how it underpins the seven dimensions later discovered.

Add information on the Content Validity Ratio (CVR) or Content Validity Index (CVI) to provide empirical evidence for content validation rather than relying solely on expert opinion.

The description following Table 1 (“Seven overarching themes...”) could integrate brief frequencies or coding densities (e.g., number of references per subtheme) to convey the relative saturation level of each category in NVivo.

The exact Friedman χ^2 statistic, degrees of freedom, and p-value should be reported in text or under Table 2 for full statistical transparency.

The statement “This self-imposed standard intensifies stress and creates unrealistic expectations...” could be expanded with a mediating mechanism (e.g., perfectionism → emotional dysregulation → burnout) supported by cited empirical paths.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

The paragraph beginning “Parental role conflict is not only a psychological phenomenon but also a social construct...” successfully notes collectivist norms, but it should better clarify how Iran’s sociocultural and gender structures distinctively moderate parental conflict, supported by local references or regional comparative data.

The Discussion section treats qualitative and quantitative results sequentially. The reviewer suggests adding an integration paragraph explicitly showing how qualitative insights informed the interpretation of quantitative rankings—this strengthens mixed-method coherence.

Clarify whether this hierarchy of influence is culture-specific to Tehran or consistent with findings from other collectivist societies (e.g., China, Spain). Comparative commentary would enhance generalizability.

Response: Revised and uploaded the manuscript.

2. Revised

Editor’s decision after revisions: Accepted.

Editor in Chief’s decision: Accepted.