

Parental Overprotection and Youth Anger Expression: The Mediating Role of Experiential Avoidance

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1. Round 1

1.1. Reviewer 1

Reviewer:

...an overprotective style tends to communicate mistrust, limit opportunities for self-regulation, and intensify internal conflicts during adolescence...” — While well-stated, it would be helpful to provide empirical evidence or specific developmental theories (e.g., self-determination theory) that underpin these claims.

“...the present study aims to investigate the mediating effect of experiential avoidance on the relationship between parental overprotection and anger expression among Turkish adolescents and young adults.” — You should include an explicit hypothesis (H1, H2, H3) to clarify the directional expectations being tested.

“...model fit was evaluated using standard indices, including the Comparative Fit Index (CFI), Root Mean Square Error of Approximation (RMSEA)....” — Please justify your cutoff criteria for model fit (e.g., CFI ≥ .95, RMSEA ≤ .06) and cite methodological sources.

“...By integrating evidence from attachment theory, parenting styles, and emotion regulation research...” — This integrative statement is strong, but it would benefit from a schematic conceptual model figure summarizing these links beyond the SEM figure.

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1.2. Reviewer 2

Reviewer:

“...the failure to appropriately express or regulate anger can lead to either externalizing behaviors... or internalizing difficulties...” — Please consider citing recent meta-analyses that quantify these links to strengthen the argument.

“Empirical studies have begun to establish these connections.” — This transitional statement is somewhat vague. It would improve readability if you specify which connections (e.g., “between overprotective parenting, experiential avoidance, and anger expression”).

“...overprotected adolescents and young adults tend to internalize avoidance-based coping styles...” — This interpretation should be carefully phrased to avoid causal inference, given the cross-sectional design.

“...Our findings also complement recent research by Basharpour et al...” — While helpful, ensure you differentiate between addiction-related outcomes and anger-related outcomes, as the mechanisms may not be entirely comparable.

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2. Revised

Editor’s decision after revisions: Accepted.

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