

Peer Review

Review of: "Creating a Child-Centered Playroom for Marshallese Children"

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I appreciated the manuscript focusing on developing culturally responsive play therapy methods, particularly for a group affected by intergenerational trauma. I have provided some comments on clarification of the process and content:

“One area in the southern United States has one of the largest numbers of Marshallese people outside of the Marshall Islands in the Pacific Ocean.” The sentence (and subsequent ones referencing this detail) was a bit confusing. Are you referring to the Southern U.S. as that area? Are there certain states where Marshallese immigration is more prominent?

Maybe state “historical, cultural, and intergenerational trauma” as opposed to solely historical.

My biggest recommendation is to include more information on the methods the authors used (consulting with various agencies/groups) earlier in the manuscript. Also, describe any theory that guided this. The article warrants a discussion about cultural adaptation methods.

In your implications section, you highlight the need for further research, and this would be a good opportunity to suggest CBPAR/PAR as a method.

Declarations

Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.