

Review of: "Sociodemographic Factors and Parental Verbal Abuse in Indonesia"

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My feedback for this article is as follows.

Introduction

- The authors need to add more information on the study context, including a) the prevalence of verbal abuse in children by parents in Indonesia; b) previous studies within the Indonesian context to show where the research gaps are; c) social-cultural factors that might drive verbal abuse in Indonesia; and d) the importance/significance of this study. It remains unclear why the authors decided to investigate sociodemographic factors associated with verbal abuse in Indonesian children.

Methods

- This section is inadequate. The authors should frame this section into some sub-sections, including a) participants (selection criteria of the participants; sample calculation, sampling method, data collection process); b) variables (the authors could have explained what variables were collected, and how they were defined and managed in this study); c) data analysis (all statistical methods should be explained here); and d) ethics approval (in addition to ethics approval given by IRB, the authors should explain how to inform consent was obtained from all participants as they < 18 years old).

Results

- The authors should incorporate the student's age, gender in the analysis.
- All the analyses presented in this section should be explained in the methods section.
- For Table 3, please add OR for each group/category of educational level, family income, and ethnicity.
- For Table 4, please present OR, 95%CI, and p-value.
- For Table 5, the authors should add information on the reference group for each independent variable. In addition, the authors should explain whether they collapsed some categories into a single one as all the independent variables seemed that they were dichotomised.

Discussion

- The authors need to put the findings into the context in order to explain the findings. It is important to provide readers with clear information on what phenomenon or situation in the study setting might help to explain the findings.

- Please add the implication of the findings.
- Please add the study limitations.