

Review of: "Challenges Faced by Parents and Stakeholder Perspectives on the Need for Hospital-Based Early Childhood Parenting Education Services"

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First, I would like to say thank you to all the authors for your contribution to such a significant but ignored idea.

However, I would suggest that some issues have to be clarified and modified.

- 1. Title: Who are the stakeholders? Could you make it specific and clear?
- 2. Your abstract section, particularly the introduction sub-section, lacks the gap/s of the study. Only the implication of parenting education is written, but the gaps and justification of the study had to be stated.
- 3. Your method subsection of the abstract section doesn't clearly show the methods you used. Therefore, I believe it would be better if you included methods concepts like quality, ethics, period, and others.
- 4. Your conclusion subsection of the abstract is not in line with your objective and result. What makes it different?
- 5. The introduction lacks the main point, which is the interconnection of problems. How is parenting education related to maternal and child health? What happened due to low parenting education? Even parenting education is not clearly defined, which leads readers to be confused.

Method section

• The study setting had to be shown in detail to make readers outside Pakistan familiar with the study setting. The sample size determination and sampling techniques are not stated here. The type of qualitative study design that you have used is not stated. You have written in your abstract that you used a phenomenological study design, but it is not clearly explained or even mentioned here. Data need to be valid and reliable, but you didn't mention anything regarding data quality assurance. The profession and experience of the data collectors were not stated. Are you sure that the rule of saturation had been respected? It is unbelievable to saturate data with four participants. Why didn't you use software/s to manage your data? Who was the note-taker? What materials did you use to collect data?

Result: Didn't you assess any socio-demographic variables? What were the characteristics of the participants?

Discussion: It would be better if you explained your study and compared and contrasted your findings with others. You tried to discuss others' studies, which is not recommended in a research write-up.

Conclusion: You tried to show the implications/benefits of parenting education, but you didn't conclude your study.

