

Review of: "Grandparenting Children With Special Needs and Disabilities: A Narrative Review"

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Dear Editor/Author(s),

Thank you for inviting me to review the manuscript entitled "Grandparenting Children With Special Needs and Disabilities: A Narrative Review" submitted to Qeios.

I found the review to be both engaging and enlightening, and it was clearly articulated. The main focus of this narrative review is to compile research findings on the experiences of grandparents who play a significant role in caring for children with special needs and disabilities. Below are my detailed observations:

This narrative review presents a comprehensive exploration of the experiences of grandparents raising children with special needs, synthesizing 149 research contributions from various disciplines up to December 2023. The methodology, employing a survey design and PRISMA-Narrative guidelines, demonstrates rigor in the selection and analysis of literature. The identification of new forms of grandparenting roles, including long-distance care and surrogate grandparenting, enriches our understanding of familial dynamics in the context of disability.

The review effectively highlights the evolving landscape of grandparenting in response to changing societal and technological trends, advocating for a reevaluation of existing theoretical frameworks and intervention strategies. However, while the breadth of literature examined is commendable, the abstract lacks specificity regarding the synthesized findings and their implications for practice and policy.

Furthermore, the abstract could benefit from elucidating the limitations of the reviewed literature and suggesting avenues for future research. Overall, this review offers valuable insights into the multifaceted roles of grandparents in supporting children with special needs, but further elaboration on its implications and areas for future inquiry would enhance its scholarly impact.

Essentially, the study makes a noteworthy contribution to the body of knowledge, though it does need minor revisions.

I thank the editor again for the invitation.

With best regards,

Reviewer

