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| Journal Name: | Journal of Complementary and Alternative Medical Research |
| Manuscript Number: | Ms_JOCAMR_115519 |
| Title of the Manuscript: | Psychosocial Aspects of Children with Thalassemia in Mosul City. |
| Type of the Article | Original Research Article |

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PART 1: Review Comments

| | Reviewer's comment | Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here) |
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| <p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Is the manuscript important for scientific community? (Please write few sentences on this manuscript) Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title) Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate? Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct? Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form. <p>(Apart from above mentioned 6 points, reviewers are free to provide additional suggestions/comments)</p> | <p>Yes. This manuscript determined the relationship between thalassemia and social functioning and psychological state in children. The kids with thalassemia were affected significantly in their social functioning.</p> <p>Yes, Could add details of the study in title which can sound like a research articles instead of a review work.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes, Objective of the study to be rationalized precisely in the introduction section.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>Yes. Some of the references are not complete.</p> <p>Figurative depictions of the results could make the results easily understandable and comparative</p> | |
| <p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | <p>Suggested improvement in structure of sentences and grammar</p> | |
| <p>Optional/General comments</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Significance of thalassemia on the social life and socialization disorders had been mentioned but suggested to describe with references what are those disorders or limitations Patient's education level was only evaluated which do not have influence on the Thalassemia or social life. Suggested to study the Patient's knowledge on the thalassemia so as to understand the effect in depth Thalassemia doesnt show significant physical change in children but affects performance of the kid. Evaluation of physical activity to evaluate the impact could have been advantageous The 2nd major percentage of participants are children between 3-5 and neither the kid nor the parents barely understand the questionnaire "being sad", "having concerns of the future". as the questions were answered by parents for that group, they generally feel sad or worry of the kid's future. This might bias the answers scales like Children's Emotional Adjustment Scale (CEAS) can be adopted Limitations did not mention the influence of presence of other chronic conditions of the kid that could have an effect on the psychological and emotional state of the kid. The results of the study particularly did not show any significant effect of the presence of thalassemia on the emotional or social functioning of the children but the family financial and profession of the family. Also the Question "what would happen in future" yielded a higher likert score and influenced the emotional functioning in table 5 which is questionable and to be rationalized | |

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PART 2:

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| Are there ethical issues in this manuscript? | <i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i> | |

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