

I don't see much value added by this manuscript in its current condition. Few observations are listed below:

1. Heavy repetition of sentences
2. No properly established methodology for factor analysis
3. No clear explanation of development of scale, its reliability and validity.
4. Socioeconomic factors were used just to show distribution of patients, but not to show differences in fear factor by those categories.
5. No mention of whether IRB was done for this research.
6. No clarity of location of this study.
7. Discussion and conclusions are not based on the findings
8. The study also claims that many respondents are not married, hence they do not have a support system (e.g. from spouses). It seems odd to me.
9. Poor writing and establishment of hypothesis.