

The Efficacy of Using Kinetic Family Drawing in Discovering The Differences in Family Dynamics Interactions for a sample of Psychological Patients: A cross Culture Psychometric Study

Abstract

Family drawings plays an important role in expressing the subject concept about dynamics interactions of his family & his relations between family members. These family drawings leads to understand dynamics, attitudes, concepts, problems & conditions between the subject and his family members, so we are in need of understand these variables in order to put our hands in the sources of disruption inside the family. Some few studies showed that the efficacy of kinetic family drawing test in understanding the cross culture differences in family dynamics interactions between normal's, so its important for us to do more psychometric studies about the efficacy of using the kinetic family drawing in discovering the cross culture differences in family dynamics interactions between psychological patients, especially most of us as a readers or psychotherapists can't communicate with these psychological patients in verbal way, & in the same time drawings as a projective technique considered as the best technique for collecting data & factual information about psychological, social, & family conditions of these patients. This psychometric study aimed to know the efficacy of using the kinetic family drawing test in discovering the cross culture differences in family dynamics interactions between psychological patients. So this study consisted of two groups from psychological patients, one of them were Egyptian group which consisted of 30 psychological patient, there ages were between 24-40 & the mean age of them was 31,80 & the other group was the Saudi group which consisted of 30 psychological patient, there ages were between 21-42 & the mean age of them was 31,34. there weren't any statistical differences in the age between the two groups. The tools of this study includes application for collecting main data (prepared by the reader), the kinetic family drawing test by Burns & Kaufman (prepared by the reader) and the kinetic family drawing analysis checklist (prepared by the reader).

The results of this study showed that There were across culture Significant Differences between psychological patients from the two groups in family dynamics interactions which projected from them throw the kinetic family drawing elements which includes: Styles, Actions, Symbols, Characters (Traits) of figures, Grid of Social interactions and Colors in The Kinetic Family Drawing Test.

The results also showed that the kinetic family drawing is very effective in discovering the cross culture differences in family dynamics interactions between psychological patients. The recommendations of this study were doing a lot of

psychometric and analytical studies in order to discover clinical indicators behind these differences in order to use them in diagnosis and psychotherapy.

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